Cardinal council holds the line for third year in-a-row

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A significant amount of operating surplus ($309,347) resulted from some projects being deferred (sand and storage shed, and alterations to the Fire Hall) and the new Wastewater Treatment Plant not being on line until Jan. 1997. Increased revenues over budget, like bank interest and building permits were also major contributing factors to the surplus the Village is enjoying this year. The sand and salt storage shed will be constructed so that the facility it is in is up to Ministry standards...a concrete base with concrete walls up to a specific level and a chicken coop roof to ensure no seepage.

Cardinal Council has numerous Capital projects which they are taking under consideration through their budget for 1997. Canal and Queen Streets are not in very good shape according to the Reeve, since the pavement was just too thin to carry the heavy equipment used in the construction of the new Plant, he says that they will be brought up to par again.

He continues saying, "All commercial property owned by the Municipality will be serviced to the lot lines. "This way if the opportunity presents itself, in the manner of a bonified individual who wants to establish a business, we have everything in place and can move ahead rapidly to accommodate this person(s). Commercial ready so minimum delay would result."

In order to invite travellers to stop in Cardinal on their way through, all signage in the Village will be standardized and brought up to a respectable standard. As well, it was learned that work will continue at the Land Fill Site/Recycling Area. "This was part of our original infrastructure program and we will complete it."On the subject of infrastructure, it was noted that those items which are part of the five-year plan for the Village will be upgraded and repaired as necessary.These include, catch-basins, water lines, hydrants, sidewalks and paving of streets. This five-year plan was prepared with the assistance of a consultant who after checking things in Cardinal was able to formulate a plan which can be implemented in stages over the five years.

Plans are in place to replace water mains within the Village, in particular, portions of both East and Benson Streets.

In other major work, a natural gas heating system at the Water Treatment Plant will replace the electrical/duct heaters that are in place presently, but which were never designed for such a purpose. "A four-year payback at the most," says Reeve Dishaw ,"Will be realized as far as savings on the system."

Council plans to initiate a tree planting project system in Cardinal. Areas being targeted for the trees include the municipally owned areas like the ball diamonds, pool area,and around the Municipal Office. Speaking about the Office, the plan calls for the washrooms downstairs to be completed and a "stand alone" computer to be installed. "The one that Donna uses will be upgraded as well to provide more efficient and direct processing of information, data and such."

Council will make a donation to the History Book Committee to assist with pictures and data compiling. The sum of $2000. will help out with this project to preserve the heritage of the community for future generations.

"This year, another $50,000 will go on the long term debt for the Sewage System. Last year we paid some $550,000 against the project," stated the Reeve as we discussed the budget and where the tax monies go. An increase in the Sewer Service Base Rate from $160 to $200 due to the Village assuming the operations of the new Wastewater Treatment facility in early January of 1997. This is an average of $3.33 per household per month.

In explaining the budget in terms which are meaningful to the taxpayers, the Reeve noted that the residential-Farm Assessment has increased from $1,370,511 in 1996, some 3.35% in 1997 to $1,416,379. The Commercial-Business Assessment decreased this year from $2,979,223 in '96 to $2,978,753. (.015%). These figures show that the total 1997 expenditures by the Village have decreased from $7,187,174 in '96 to $2,853,917 in '97. The good news for residents in the Village is that the Mill Rate is unchanged from 1996 (168.054) for Residential and Commercial (197.711 mills). In lay terms this means that the 1997 tax levy for general purposes on a residential property assessed at $3000. (1988 Market Value of $100,000) will be $504.16...the

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Morrisburg announces tax decrease in municipal and county levies

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The village of Morrisburg did not raise taxes.

The United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, did not raise taxes.

Both school boards did raise taxes.

With Morrisburg Deputy Reeve Dirk Testerink out of the country and Councillor Larry Schnurr at home, sick in bed, there wasn't a lot of fan fare or flashing of new shoes for Reeve McGregor's unveiling of the 1997 budget.

"For the fourth consecutive year, we are pleased to report that we will not be increasing the mill rates for general village purposes," began the reeve, reading from a scripted statement.

Almost unprecedented in the last decade, the Counties levy actually dropped.

However, as expected, rate payers in Morrisburg, both public school supporters and separate school supporters, will be hit with an increase.

In terms of tax dollars, this means that the average tax payer will pay five cents less for local services, five dollars less for County services and $25 more for education.

The average tax bill will go from $1,895 to $1,915.

Expenditures

General government, which includes council, administration, operation of the Civic Centre and election costs, came in at $32-7,720.

Protection to persons and property, which includes emergency planning, building inspection, animal control and the fire department, cost $143,695.

Transportation, which includes road maintenance, snow clearing and street lighting, cost residents $399,225.

The largest expenditure in 1997, $476,900, was attributed to environmental services. These services include garbage collection, disposal and the sewer system.

Planning, which includes zoning and the committee of adjustment, came in at $55,800.

Recreation, which includes the arena, parks and subsidies to sports programs, cost $368,900.

"The arena operated out of the red for the first time in 10 years," noted Reeve McGregor.

Highlights

"In 1997 we completely refurbished the north end of Church Street. This involved replacement of sewer and water lines as well as re-surfacing the street," said McGregor.

Although the Church Street renovation was paid for with a municipal debenture, the reeve said costs were kept down by using the village labour force instead of hiring an outside contractor.

This year

Major projects in 1997 will include the Dock/wharf rehabilit-

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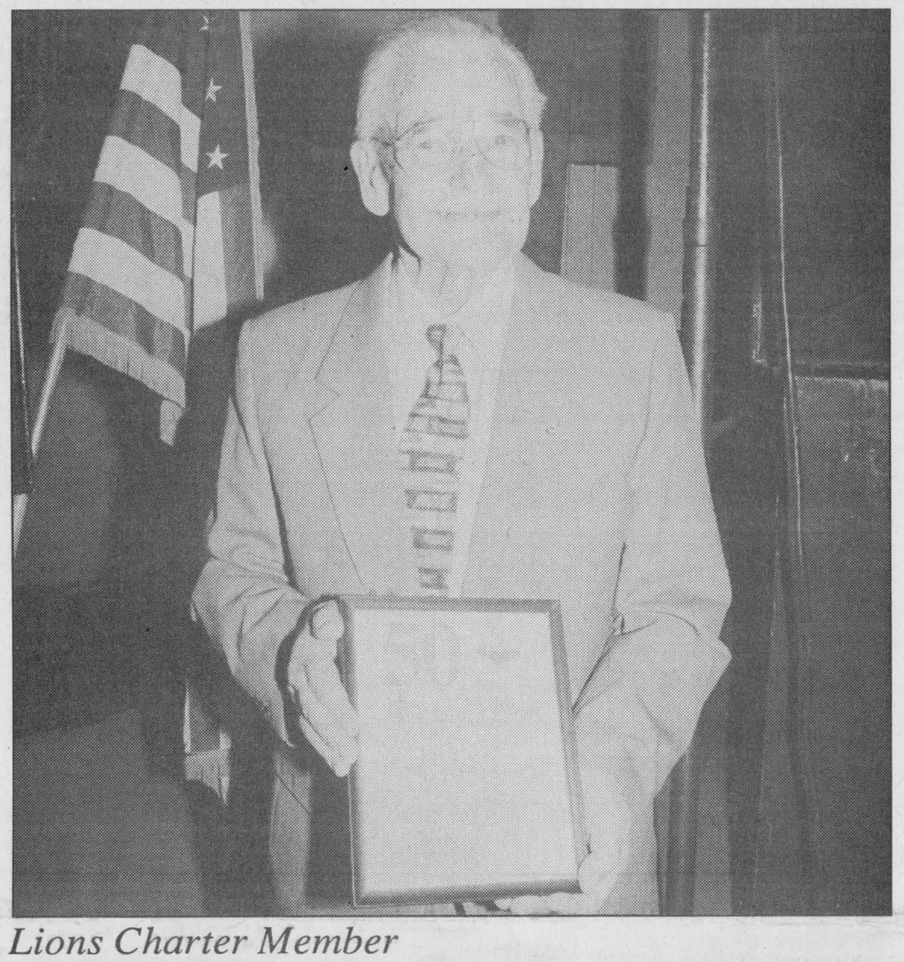

Lions Charter Member

Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club Charter Member, Harry Gilmer was honoured at the celebration of the Club's Golden Anniversary. Harry is the only surviving Charter Member of the Club. A mentor for all who aspire to become a Lion in the international organization whose motto is "We Serve"...Harry continues a long and dedicated tradition in this community. How is the golfing these days Harry? Congrats from everyone!!! *Chieftain Photo S.L.Johnston*

Heritage group formed in Matilda

A new local heritage committee was recently formed April, 8th, 1997.

Called the McIntosh Heritage Committee, the goal of the group is to preserve and promote the original McIntosh homestead and the history of the first apple tree.

"We're a non-profit organization," said President Keith Lewis. "There are a lot of concerned citizens who wanted to see a committee like this."

The committee is embarking on a fundraising campaign and will be accepting donations.

"We're also going to hold a yard sale June 7th," added Mr. Lewis. The yard sale will be held in Dundela at the Recreation Centre.

Anyone interested in donating items for the yard sale can contact Mr. Lewis at 652-1723, or Sandra Beckstead at 652-1626.

The committee meets at the Dundeka Recreation Centre every second Tuesday and everyone is welcome to attend meetings.

Mountain man upset over levy

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A Mountain Township resident and hunter wants to duck a hefty development fee for putting up a portable shelter.

Peter Brogan told the township's council on May 5 that he didn't think he should have to pay a $1,500 fee for putting a camping trailer on his 90 acre property.

Brogan told council that he had lived in Mountain for a number of years and already paid development fees when he built his house and didn't feel he should be charged again.

"I don't think it was the intention of this bylaw to charge people like Mr. Brogan here. It was designed for new home buyers who come into the township and hadn't paid the same taxes as everyone who had lived in the Township for years and yet they would still enjoy the same services. It seems to me that this development fee was designed to catch them up with what other people had already paid," said Deputy Reeve Don Johnston.

Johnston also noted that the camper would not use any of the services that development fees were supposed to support.

"This just doesn't apply," said Johnston.

Brogan said he wanted to move the trailer into a bush area of his property so that he and some of his friends would have a place to stay when they went hunting. Brogan said the trailer would only be used for a week or two each year.

Building inspector Richard Sharkey informed Council that he believed there was a provision in the bylaw to allow council to alter or waive the fees in certain special circumstances. Sharkey said he would have to do some research to determine if those circumstances applied. Council

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When it comes to federal government - less is more

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

When it comes to the federal government and business in Iroquois, less is more, say three local businessmen.

In light of the ongoing federal election Kurt Greaves, Joe Rudigier and Jack Fetterly shared their views on the federal government's effect on the economy and what directions it should take in the future.

Any politicians taking notes had better get ready to reduce taxes, trade barriers, interest rates, inflation and government intervention.

"I think when you gotta work half a year to pay your taxes it's too darn much. I think when we talk about amalgamation and reducing the bureaucracy of our school boards and government in general, I think it's a step in the right direction," says Fetterly.

"I think any time you reduce trade barriers its good for the economy. Just like NAFTA. It's increased our trade a tremendous amount," says Greaves.

What Business Thinks

Kurt Greaves– co-owner of Iroquois Enterprises, says low interest rates are good for investment.

Joe Rudigier– Ross Video's vice president and manager of manufacturing, says NAFTA good for exports.

Jack Fetterly– co-owner of Fetterly's says fewer government regulations would help small businesses.

"I often say there should be a law that whenever a bureaucrat creates a new regulation they should be forced to delete two old ones," says Rudigier.

While Fetterly views the past three years more negatively (he says business has gone down and overhead has gone up) than Rudigier and Greaves, they are unanimous in their prescription for a better economy: balance the budget, keep interest rates low and inflation under control.

"Any time there's a reduction in income tax there is more money available for investment. If provincial income tax continues to come down, Ontario is going to be seen as a place where business is welcome. I think that's really hurt us in the past.

"It hasn't just been Canada. The Eastern United States has lost a

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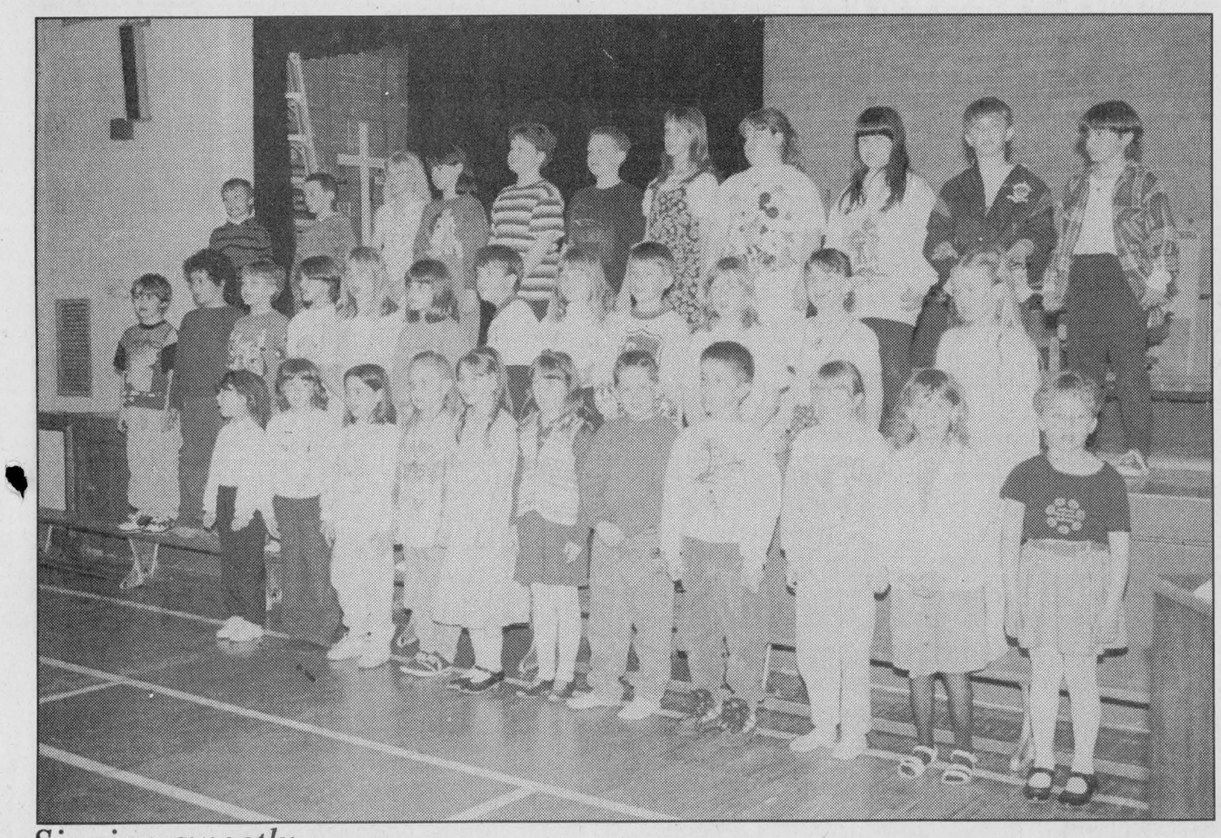

Singing sweetly

Youngsters at IPS sang their finest as they presented their songs from the 43rd Annual Kinsmen Music Festival. This event allows the singers at local schools to show their talents. Music teacher, Marion DeGray expressed appreciation to the staff and the Cornwall Kinsmen for providing the opportunity for the children to take part in the Festival. Family and friends were afforded the chance to listen to some very fine musical ability; and this is wonderful since all interested people cannot always get to Cornwall for the Festival. A pile of gold medals came home with the IPS gang...congrats everyone!! *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Lions raise over $30,000 at rally

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Lions and Legion may have organized it, but you made it happen.

Over 128 people, in 32 vehicles, raised over $30,000.

The 2nd Annual Morrisburg and District Lions Club Car Rally exceeded set targets last Saturday and the future of health care in Dundas and area, will run a little smoother because of it.

"We had two cars that raised over $3,000 each," said an extremely happy Lions Club President, Blake Noon. Obviously, the president was pleased with the number of people who took the time to raise money for the rally.

As well as many individuals, businesses in Dundas County came through with donations and four major sponsors donated $1,000 each to the cause.

Ault Foods, Nestle, Cruickshank Construction and Brister Insurance were all $1,000 contributors.

Organizers were also pleased to have the Morrisburg Legion Branch 48 on board this year as a major contributor.

The local Legion sponsored a steak dinner and dance following the rally and proceeds from both will go to the hospital.

"What it did for us, was bring a whole new element," explained Lions Car Rally Chairperson, Randy Veinotte. "Internally it cost a pile of money to set up a dinner and a dance. You need a liquor licence and then there's the logistics of getting everything ready. It's a pile of work and the Legion looked after it for us."

The dinner and dance also brought out people who might not necessarily take part in a car rally added Mr. Veinotte.

The Lions Club will be holding a wrap up meeting this week and will issue a complete list of the winners and the final total raised.

this week

Poetry reading

The Iroquois Library held their annual poetry reading afternoon last Wednesday. Please turn to page two for the picture and story.

50th

The Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club celebrated their 50th Anniversary last Saturday evening with a dinner and dance. Please see page four.

Track and field

The Spartans were in Cornwall last week for the warm-up meet. Page six has the information.

Farmers on-line

Local farmers are taking advantage of the Internet. Please read all about it on page seven.

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Mountain

directed Sharkey to make the necessary inquiries.

Brogan said that he brought the matter before council because of a dispute last year involving two structures built last year on property facing unopened road allowances. Provincial guidelines do not allow such construction, however Brogan's property does have access from an open road.

Brogan said he was just trying to make sure he followed the rules.

Business

lot of business because of the low taxes in the South Eastern United States," says Greaves. In addition to low taxes, low interest rates are also crucial to increased investment, he says.

"If you can earn more money investing in a piece of machinery than sticking it in a bank account and making interest you're going to go for the piece of machinery. I think the federal government has realized that," he says.

The government seems also to have realized that a lower Canadian dollar is making Canadian exports particularly attractive in foreign markets. Rudigier says Ross Video, as a world wide exporter, has reaped the benefits of the lower value of the Canadian dollar. With more than 50 per cent of its market in the U.S. the Loony's weak performance against the greenback has made Ross Video's product even more attractive.

Greaves, however is ambivalent about the dollar's performance, "A low dollar that's good for exports. At the same time we buy machinery from the States so we take a pounding from that. It's always a trade off."

When it comes to trade all three agree that NAFTA has been good for business. They say they have benefitted either directly or as a result of clients who have flourished under the agreement.

"I think if it wasn't for the NAFTA agreement, I don't think Canada Starch would be doing as well as they are and same thing with Dupont and the big dental bur supplier in Morrisburg--they've always shipped world wide, but they're booming and the same thing with the tooth brush manufacturer. So I think NAFTA has definitely been a good thing," says Fetterly, whose company fixes trucks which supply the larger industries.

Greaves is bullish about free trade despite the loses suffered by some companies and workers.

"We had two customers shut down. Some of them moved, but our remaining customers have increased their volume quite a bit," says Greaves. He adds that his company is holding its own and maintaining its market share despite an economy in Ontario that he says "isn't expanding much".

"I think it brings in the whole effect of globalization and specialization. So if you do something well and you're the best at it then you're going to get bigger, but if you're not the best you're probably going to die," he says.

Rudigier also says NAFTA is good for business. However, he says government intervention has still crept into the trade-- American government that is.

"Almost everything is good. The only problem is bureaucrats in the States," says Rudigier. He explains that American bureaucrats sometimes use red tape as a sort of trade barrier, raising export prices by disputing how goods are classified, necessitating complicated verification processes.

Greaves says that kind of stonewalling has made Iroquois Enterprises reluctant to try U.S. markets. He points to the recent Canada U.S. softwood lumber dispute. He says the resulting quota system hammered out between the two countries has played havoc with softwood lumber prices and is a clear example of why government intervention is bad.

Fetterly also says that governments should stay out of the way of business. He decries a new environmental regulation forcing him to spend $12,000 on a gasoline vapour recovery system.

"It just adds to the cost of a small business. I want to protect the environment as far as that goes. But I don't know the percentage of loss of ozone by the gasoline which we vent to the air in Iroquois. It's going to drive hundreds of service stations out of business," Fetterly says.

Children should be reminded to stay away from rushing water in the spring

Cardinal

same as it was in 1996.

General Government requirements in Cardinal have decreased by $29,600. primarily due to a redistribution of costs.

Then it is noted that an increase in the OPP contract with the Village, has necessitated an increase in the Protection to Person and Property portion of taxes levied. This amounts to $8,950. A small increase has also resulted in the cost of Transportation Services, to the tune of 2.2% or $6700.

The near completion of the new Wastewater Treatment facility has provided a reprieve in the Environmental Services and a decrease of $4,736,124.

Recreation and Cultural Services saw a downward swing due to a reserve account for the Community Centre, of some $82,000. The decrease amounts to $96,110. due to the transfer in the 1996 budget.

Planning and Development saw a downward spiral as well of some $19,000 due to a decrease in planning amendments and a 1996 budget which included money for an O.M.B. hearing for the Village's comprehensive Zoning By-Law.

Capital Expenditures which include those projects under the Canada Ontario Infrastructure Program, a decrease of $43,311. Projects under the C.O.I.P. are just finishing and thus an overall decrease in spending. This Program is funded one-third by the federal government, one-third by the province and the other third by the municipality; and takes under its umbrella items that deal with the health of the community. According to Reeve Dishaw, "Health concerns especially those like extended care for seniors is usually looked upon favourably by the other two levels of governments."



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Big Food Town winner

Sharon Markell was the closest to the actual price in the S&F Food Town: It's our price that's Right Game on Saturday. The price was $3000. and she bid $2849.49 to win the Fisher home Theatre...complete with television, VCR, CD player and surround sound in a pine cabinet. Dorothy McMillan, Leo Merkley and M. Seibert each took home $30. for their unsuccessful bid.

Musical interlude at IPS

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

There is some awesome talent tuning up their vocal chords at IPS. This has been evident over the years as youngsters from the local Public School have taken part in the Annual Kinsmen Music Festival in Cornwall and come home with medals to show for their effort.

As the gym began to fill up with family members and friends who missed the opportunity to hear these angel voices as they sang in Cornwall, excited youngsters lined up, smiled nervously and prepared for their turn on stage.

Music teacher, Marion DeGray seems to have a magical way with notes, flats and sharps and singing voices. She accompanies each group, and individual and it is hard to persuade her that she indeed has something to do with how well her students do.

Among those who did themselves and their school proud were Sarah Dulmage and Heather Bartlett who performed a recorder duet (My Sweet Lady). They won gold in the Advanced Recorder Duet. Kaitlyn Shaver and Emily Millard were tops in the grade 7/8 class while the silver and bronze also came home with IPS duos: Jessica Hanes and Jennifer Jones wore silver while Sarah Dulmage and Sarah Stitt were good enough for bronze. Singing Hands United in Peace, these girls did an excellent job.

Many students find solo work too rough and so they go the choir route. The grade 3 Mini-Choir was golden as was the Primary Choir and the grade 2 Mini-Choir. While the seniors are able to choose their own pieces as long as they are from a musical production, the younger singers are assigned. Each Choir gets to chose one of the numbers they perform, while the other is assigned.

Nicholas McCaslin and Thomas Corden were like two angels as they sang, "When I am Big Someday" and were rewarded with gold for their first ever entry.

Grade 1 gals who sang solos impressed the judges and were all given gold. They included; Melissa and Jocelyn Goodridge, Melissa McLeod and Courtney Thompson.

Cameron Keicks and Jeffrey Eamon sang about Monkeys and were good as gold too.Grade 5 soloists, Jillian Link and Martha Whittle sang Castle on a Cloud from Les Miserables for a bronze. Karen Stevens, Daneca Corneau, Chelsea Schell, Cassie Lewis and Crystal Cooper sang to gold. Katherine Corden was good enough for silver. These girls sang in the Grade 3 category.

Silver came home with both the Grades 4&5 Mini-Choirs. Gold was won by Triple Quintet and the three part choir, as well as Mindy-Lee Markell, Leah Summers, Samantha Shaver, Kate Wilson, (grade 4) Allen Chung,(boys 12 and over) Jessica Hanes, Jenny Jones, Emily Millard who all sang songs from a Broadway Musical.(Phantom, Les Mis etc.) These were terrific!! Shona Blatch, Katie Van de Kamp and Sarah Robertson earned silver while Jenna Murphy earned bronze for her work. Shannon Haun and Jessica Bedzra also sang, but we are not sure of how well they did.

Well done, one and all!!

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Charges

Williamsburg - As a result of an investigation conducted by the members of the Upper Canada OPP into an assault which had occurred in Williamsburg Township April 30th, criminal code and drug related charges have been laid against a Williamsburg Township man.

Charged with aggravated assult, assult with a weapon, uttering threats, break and enter, forcible confinement, possession of a narcotic, possession of a narcotic for the purpose of traffiking, and cultivation of a narcotic, is Michel Poitras age 35 of Williamsburg Township.

Stolen

Morrisburg - May 8th, Police responded to a report of the theft of a motor vehicle from a private residence in the Village of Morrisburg.

A 1983 Ford Ranger pick up truck, grey in colour, had been taken overnight from a Carraway Crescent residence. This vehicle has not yet been recovered.

Mischief

Winchester - On May 10th, Police received a report of vandalism at a Winchester Township business. Overnight, damage had been done at Eagle Farm Equipment in Winchester Township. Gates, glass windows and doors of the building had been smashed.

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Library hosts poetry reading day

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

It was Charles Darwin who wrote, "If I had my life to live over again, I would have made a rule to read some poetry and listen to some music at least once a week; for perhaps the parts of my brain now atrophied would thus have been kept active through use. The loss of these tastes is a loss of happiness, and may possibly be injurious to the intellect, and more probably to the moral character, by enfeebling the emotional part of our nature."

What exactly is "poetry", anyway? Why bother with it at all?

William Hazlitt wrote, "Poetry is the universal language which the heart holds with nature and itself. He who has a contempt for poetry cannot have much respect for himself or for anything else... for all that is worth remembering in life is the poetry of it. Fear is poetry, hope is poetry, love is poetry, hatred is poetry, contempt, jealousy, remorse, admiration, wonder, pity, despair or madness are all poetry."

Last Wednesday afternoon, the civic centre was bathed in soft light, drifts of yellow daffodils garnished the table as candles shed a shy light on the proceedings. A chair waited patiently and a lamp lit the area. All that was lacking was the golden retriever on the scatter rug before the easy chair. The local Library was hosting its annual spring poetry reading session. With the sweet smell of spring in the air, a larger than anticipated group gathered to share in the prose and the ambience that pervaded the quiet.

Among those who came out to read their favourite spring words were; Ruth Fetterly, Florence English, Pat Gray, Guy de Puyjalon, Pat de Costa, Jonnie (Wilma) Playfair, Helen Smith, Eden Avery, yours truly, and Librarian Eleanor Pietersma...quite a distinguished group to be sure!

The readings varied and each was enjoyed on its own merit. Eden got things started on the right word as she suggested that "Poetry has been with each of us since we were knee high to a grasshopper." She continued by adding that poetry grows with us as we mature and our tastes change as far as literary works are concerned. Beginning with the sheer enjoyment of the words and the rhyme and rhythm, carries through our school years where we memorize lines and punctuation until we reach adulthood and can once again enjoy the written word without pressure or definition.

As someone penned, "Spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil" and so it was fitting that this event was held in May. Each was asked to bring along their favourite piece that signals the season to them.

Florence English got things under way with Wordsworth's Daffodils, which was familiar and made a listener feel a sense of dejavu. She continued with that piece now set to music about "As Lovely as a Tree" and concluded with a selection from Mary Cook. Although not poetry, the words allowed everyone to recall days gone by when life was more gentle and less hectic than today. Speaking about "curtains" she brought a smile to more than one face.

Ruth Fetterly suggested that there are numerous "rites of spring" that are traditionally observed everywhere. "In our community, in 1997, it would seem that these would be cleaning the pool, scraping and cleaning the boat and shining the golf clubs," noted Ruth. She then read a list of items that would have collectively made up the spring routines for folks in 1897. Referring to them as homestead rituals, she enlightened everyone on such topics as taking the leaf mulch off the bulbs, keeping the cat away from the nesting Robins, drinking sassafras tea to guard against thin blood, searching for Morel mushrooms when the apple trees turn pink, taking the spring bath...only after weather has settled, nibbling on a fiddlehead, pruning the grapevines leaving three buds per twig, allowing the pasture lands to grow to a six inch height before letting the cattle on it and of course...go fishing! A fun one for sure.

Eden read about, "Rain and the Robin", a delightful seasonal piece. Pat Gray read a selection form a British magazine, entitled appropriately, "The Magic of Spring," which everyone enjoyed.

Guy read a John Milton, "Song on a Spring Morning". He then dedicated a piece that took all back to the sea again, to his friend, Peter Playfair. "Sailors, old and new await spring so they can get back to what they love most, the water. Peter was a navy man and I know he loved this time of year as much as I." Sea Fever is well known and it allowed dreamers to feel the sea spray on their face as he read..."I must go down to the seas again...'

Pat de Costa was taking part for the first year and she treated everyone to a poem which reminded us that spring heralds the start of water running freely as the sun melts the snow and the sound of water trickling and gurgling is music to the ears. "The Brook" says; "For men may come and men may go; but I go on forever."

Jonnie shared "The Joy of Spring"...which reads, "Only God would have designed it...so praise Him the God of Spring." She eluded to the fact that Spring is a turn in the bend of the road that allows us to turn our backs on winter; May is a month of miracles and rebirth. She then offered Robert Herrick's "To Daffodils" in which he says, "fair daffodils, we weep to see you haste away so soon, as yet the early rising sun has not attain'd his noon...stay-stay, until the hasting day has run but to the evensong, and having prayed together, we will go with you along."

Then, a very special lady, and there is no offence intended to anyone else in attendance; Helen Smith took centre and spoke from her heart. "I figured everyone else would bring the poems and so I struck off on another route to entertain you." Helen explained that spring is a time of spirituality for her and she suggested that poets favour it as a topic through the ages, this has been so. Using what is familiar to all in attendance, she offered, "Up the St. Lawrence comes the spring again, Crowning each southward hill, And blossoming pool with beauty." (Marjorie Pickthall) For now the Heavenly power, Makes all things new, And thaws the cold, and fills The flower with dew." (Tennyson) "What is so rare as a day in spring? Then, if ever come perfect days, Then, Heaven tries Earth...(John Russell Lowell). Using the Bible, (a library between the covers of one book) as a reference, she shared Psalms, namely 121, and 23 and then moved to Shakespeare and Chaucer, adding Ab Klein reverting to the innocence of springtime and youth and how they are intertwined. In conclusion she spoke from Dylan Thomas who died too young, but left a legacy of words. "And every winter turns to spring"...

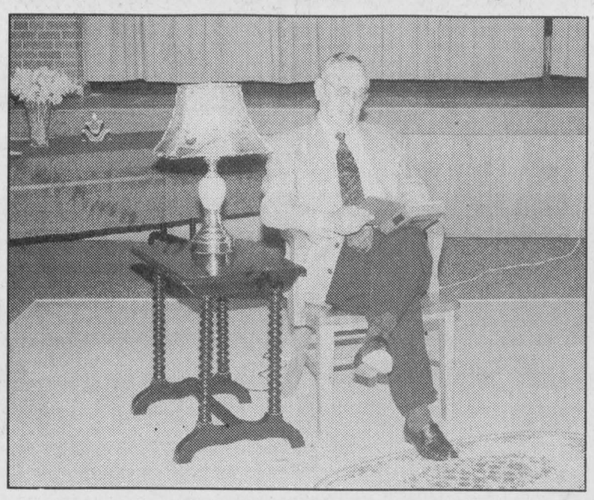
Your truly read about the season as well, a poem by Henry Timrod, entitled Spring..."Spring, with her golden suns and silver rains, is with us once again." Interjecting a note of gaiety and laughter, I read an old favourite that conjures up thoughts of children and playing in the spring when youngsters can hardly contain their enthusiasm for the warm weather...Casey at the Bat brought smiles of remembrance and nods of agreement that although the mood in Mudville was bleak and dark, "For mighty Casey had struck out"; it was not so in Iroquois this day.

A special treat then was a blank verse penned and read by Eden Avery whose talent remains virtually untapped. Her dedication and tribute to Christ's Church in Dixons' Corners was moving and welcome by those especially who remember or were a part of the congregation before the demolition of the white frame building. This has special meaning to many and will be shared affectionately with them, thus it will not be printed here; thanks, Eden it was terrific.

Eleanor read the conclusionary poem from Longfellow and after thanking everyone for coming and suggesting that those who took part and shared their readings with the crowd were most appreciated, she invited all to take part in the fancy sandwiches, grab a cuppa and a sweet thing and visit a bit...a marvellous way to spend a spring afternoon.

The group has grown from 3 or 4 to the twenty some on this day...a good thing. Sadly this year two young men who added their very personal touch to the event, the young McCadden boys, Joseph and Woody were unable to attend on this day, hopefully they will return next year.

This writer was proud to be invited. Hope to see even more folks next time!



Poetic reflection

Guy de Puyjalon read during the Library tea and poetry reading hosted at the civic centre last Wednesday. "Poetry makes immortal all that is best and most beautiful in the world" (Shelley) and so it was as readers shared their favourites. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Bird house workshop to be held at Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary Sat.

A workshop designed to help people build their own bird house is scheduled for Sunday, May 18 at the Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary. Starting at 2 p.m., participants will learn about different bird species and their preference in home dwellings. Come and construct a back yard bird house that is suitable for the birds found in Eastern Ontario.

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Over the past 35 years, Canadians have relied on MedicAlert to communicate their specific medical needs in emergency situations.

The realization that 1 in 5 Canadians has a medical need that should be known in the event of an emergency is a stark one. Certainly the MedicAlert bracelet is the very best friend a person with a medical condition can have, no matter when or where an emergency arises, the information that MedicAlert provides is the right assistance at the right time.

If you have a an allergy to a drug,or if it is to a food,no matter, a MedicAlert bracelet is indeed the best friend you could ask for. The risks are high enough, why not minimize them and make the playing field with your health problems a little more level?

It takes so little to register with MedicAlert and the result is so rewarding; not only for you but for your entire family. Everyone can feel safer and more at ease, knowing that if something happens and they are not with you, you will be cared for in the appropriate manner, with attention to the medical condition that threatens.

The slogan says, "When seconds count, MedicAlert is there"...thanks to a person with insight, foresight and a true caring attitude for fellow man. MedicAlert is "your best friend."

When my mother suffered her heart attack and subsequent heart surgery, there was no time wasted in getting her registered with MedicAlert, when the doctor informed us that she was unable to deal with a certain drug if ever another attack occurred. Afterall, she is alone some of the time and we need the reassurance that she will not receive this drug if a situation arises. A small price to pay for peace of mind.

Being a Scout Leader, I am aware that there are a large number of youngsters with allergies today that need special attention if an emergency presents itself. These youngsters need to be registered as well, since youngsters do not always check what they eat, nor tell anyone about their condition. The fact they and their families can rely on MedicAlert to communicate for them in a crisis helps. What is written on the bracelet is enough to start standard emergency responses or stop them if an allergy might turn a life-saving procedure into a life-threatening one. The hotline info can reduce the time it takes to make a diagnosis and the risk of treatment complications. A remarkable thought!

S.L.J.

Charest wins!

Chretien's jobs, jobs, jobs - Duceppe's final solution - Preston's recall, recall, recall - McDonough's spend, spend, spend and Charest's passion for a nation on the brink...

Spin it any way you want - Jean Charest won hands down!

In an unnecessary election where charisma counts, the prime minister of Canada failed miserably in Monday evening's english language debate.

Long gone is that, "straight from the heart" charm Jean Chretien held over Canadians in the last federal election.

In its place, the scepticism and pessimism that Chretien displayed when he picked up his Inuit statue and headed home after losing the Liberal leadership race to good old John Turner a few years back.

And what can be said for Preston Manning... Canada's Ross Perot! (It was however, nice to see Preston had his original hair colour back and yes... he does own a suit.)

Unexpectedly, Alexa McDonough was a pleasant surprise but really, no one can forget Bob Rae and the mess a would-be leader left us in.

On Gilles Duceppe, he is the best thing that could have happened to Canadian nationalists. Hands down, this communist was by far the worst leader on the screen.

With two separatist parties (Reform and the Bloc) trying to slice up the pie that is Canada, the NDP hoping that they, like their former provincial counterparts, never have to make good on all those promises, and an ineffective Liberal government - shooting pucks into an empty net, the only choice left is obvious...

Jean Charest.

"I have news for you. I intend to make this country work, because if there is one commitment I have made to my children, it is that I'm going to pass on to them the country I received from my parents" - Charest 1997.

MCB

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A golden evening for the local Iroquois-Matilda Lions Saturday

focus

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

It was a night for local Lions to roar with pride in celebration of their golden anniversary. The Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club was marking their 50th year as servants to their community with style and grace.

On hand for this special time were some distinguished guests. Certainly the most prominent was Lion Harry Gilmer who joined the local Club in 1947. The sole living Charter Member, Harry was called upon to present a certificate to each of the thirty-eight, present day members of the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club. Harry himself found that he was on the receiving end of some very kind words from numerous who spoke. Among those who extended congratulations to the Charter Member were the President, Glenn Swerdfeger who noted that Harry was his idol as he grew up in the area; the Master of Ceremonies for the festivities, Barry Fawcett; MP, Bob Kilger, MPP, Noble Villeneuve; Lion Dale Roberts; District Governor, Jack Burke; and the guest speaker for the evening, author Marsha Boulton.

President Glenn spoke of his fellow Lions in glowing terms as he suggested that his year as President of the local Club has been "a great pleasure, working with such a great group of Lions. They are all leaders, this Club pretty well carries itself. It has not been a tough job being the leader of such a fine group."

Seated at the head table along side President Glenn and his wife Margaret were District Governor Burke and his Lionette wife from Stittsville, Helen; Region 41 Chairman, Bruce McIntosh and his companion, Betty from Williamsburg; Lion Barry and his wife, Diane; guest speaker, Marsha and her friend, Stephen Williams; Lion Harry and his wife, Louella.

Lion Peter Swank introduced visiting members from various Lion Clubs in the Region who came to wish the local Club many more productive community years of service. Among these Clubs were many who helped the local Club create a cook book to commemorate the anniversary year. These included; Arnprior, Cardinal, Cumberland, Edwardsburgh, Cornwall Township, Finch and District, Greely, Kemptville, Morrisburg, Orleans, Hazeldeen, Nepean, Mountain Township and District, Barrhaven, Sharbot Lake, Prescott and District, Russell, Seeley's Bay, Winchester and Vankleek Hill and District. He welcomed the local Councils and Reeves, and all who came out to support Lionism in the area. On behalf of those guest Clubs in attendance, 1st Vice-President of Morrisburg Club, Brian Quart responded with a plaque from his Club in honour of the milestone which Iroquois-Matilda were celebrating.

As everyone is aware, "behind every successful man, and likewise a driving force behind all men, especially Lions" and so Lion, John Lyon asked the males to raise their glasses in a toast to the ladies. He recalled smoky clothes in piles on the laundry room floors after those Lions sponsored Bingos...how great the females are to chip in and lend a hand on occasions when and where they are needed, like the Canada Day celebrations at the Point, "All pitch-in so the community can enjoy the events and the Day."

Shelley Prins responded to the toast on behalf of all the ladies who ensure that their Lion husbands and friends are able to accomplish the tasks they do as Lions in the service of their community.

MC, Barry interjected some light hearted comedy into the proceedings as he mentioned "Bingo"...who was unable to attend the celebration. Many remembered Bingo as a character created by Mr. Fawcett in one of the Lions' Club plays which are brought to life every second year as a wonderful fund raiser for the Club.

The Chairman of the Anniversary Committee, Martin Habraken introduced the guest speaker for the evening, Marsha Boulton, who is the fourth woman in the 49 year history of the awarding of the Stephen Leacock Award for Humour to receive it (1996-Letters from the Country). Setting the tone for her talk, she began by saying, "imagine, a shepherd talking to Lions!" It was some sixteen years ago that Ms. Boulton, a journalist, decided to leave her life in the big city behind. Handing over her expense account that gave her the opportunity to purchase elegant gowns and such, gave up the invitations to mingle with celebrities as editor for the People section of McLean's magazine to become a sheep herder, she has proven that the fulfilment of her desire to get in touch with nature was a valuable ideal.

She reiterates how she felt it possible to combine farming and writing. "The technology of today allows each of us to be on the super highway no matter where we call home or where we go to work."

"Many of you have enjoyed country life for all of your lives, my move to this life style was sudden and dramatic...afterall who would leave a dream job; "I had cocktails with Cary Grant

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Happy 50th Anniversary Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club...1947-1997

Swampview smells of fresh grass

Just plain livin'
with Sandra Lee



What a wonderful smell, as the aroma of newly mowed grass tickles the nostrils. The tantilizing fragrance fills every crack and crevice and makes the senses really take notice of the season. Some of the long, rapidly growing blades had a trim. The neighbours were able to find the time to clip theirs and manicure them to perfection. It is good that we do not strive to keep up with the Joneses as it were! There is no more pleasing a sight than a lawn freshly mowed and raked. The daffodils nod in the breeze and the tulips begin their colourful assault on the flower beds. The silver mound is alive and well and the tinv violets are announcing the spring that has been so long awaited. Now, if the rain would cease and desist, we could get things into shape around the ranch.

Many will recall that infamous headache that has plagued the writer for more than a few days...well, it remains today as a constant reminder that all is definitely not well. An appointment has been established with a medical person to attempt to get to the bottom of this one. We pop a couple more Tylenol and grab the ice pack and pray that sleep will alleviate some of the pain. It is rough being a mom, a writer and a wife when a migrane type ache defies reason and laughs in the face of all that should eliminate it. We will use all the perseverance we can muster and do our best to ensure that an effort is forthcoming this week as usual.

Son number one is lying on the sofa looking mighty peaked as this is being typed. He apparently caught that dreaded flu bug that has been tripping the light fantastic. The two nieces back the way also were in the grips of this nasty sicky as well, but seem to be on the mend, so he can look ahead to better days too! He is not a good patient and being so thin to begin with, he cannot afford to lose any more weight. The flu certainly plays havoc with thin people it seems. By the time this is being read, I hope that he is feeling more like himself.

The weekend was a bust since that headache I mentioned beat mercilessly at every turn. There was the Lions Club 50th Anniversary evening and while the ache did not subside, and no refreshments stronger than coke were tolerated (taking pills and all) we had a fairly enjoyable time, the big guy and the writer. Two Scouts helped another female leader and old Skipper with sales at the banquet and their assistance was appreciated, even if they did not eat very much for growing kids!

Mothers'Day was not what was hoped for around Swampview, what with the flu and all. Both mothers received small tokens of the high esteem they are held in by us, and we only wish it were more. This old, mother got two books and was lucky enough to have them autographed by the author...neat! A lovely roast chicken supper was prepared for me and the men did an excellent job. The day was spent watching the hockey games as the eyes would allow and the head toned down the pain. Ice packs and pills let some of both games be taken in. It was not pleasant to watch my hockey player go down to defeat, there was hope until the end, Dougie, but there is always next year!!

This past weekend was a working one for the writer. This meant up and at things early on Saturday. Photos to snap and people to interview, as is expected for the up coming issue. The rain was not much help as some pictures were in out of the way places and the mud and such left the little pickup looking pretty sad. Number two son and I struck off for the car wash to bring back the truck I lost under the coating of mud.

Both sons had school projects to complete and since the Cubs were having a sleepover, complete with horse back riding on Friday evening, the elder son had his hands full with youngsters as he and the other leader made sure everyone had safe fun. Making a present for their moms was a treat (this mom got some nice candles too!! courtesy of this craft time). A Scout assisted with breakie to earn service hours and then it was play time until home time arrived. The pack decided not to take part in the Annual District Cuboree due to the downpour. Hosted in the Limerick Forest, this was to be a blast, but the weatherman did not co-operate and so many groups stayed home where they were dry.

The tale this week though is about a mom who noticed that her son did have his rain gear with him. Yup, into the truck, out to the church, rubber boots and rain coat in tow. Snap a picture at the Church Yard Sale and then head for the Limerick. The van was missing from the parking lot and so the pack must have piled in and headed off early for the Cuboree...or NOT! Anyway, with never a backward glance, worry guiding the way as the rain fell harder, this mom got onto the wrong road. Many kilometres later, after mud trails that will one day grow to be roads and rain, rain and more rain, I found the designated spot in the Limerick and some Cubs. Waiting for the local gang to show, I figured that they were not coming and that my escapade was for nothing. Snapping a photo before I left, so as not to appear as stupid as I felt, I headed home. So much for good deeds and helping out, keeping a son dry and all. Then it struck that a meeting concerning an upcoming Pre-CJ Camp was being held at Morrison Island and so onward I forged through more muddy potholes and soggy gravel beds. Home sure looked good when finally I returned, to find son number one warm and dry and busily engaged in a history report.

The big guy attended a Warden's workshop in Chesterville on Saturday and then worked on his hymns for Sunday...even though the chimes would have been beneficial on all three, he demonstrated that this old untuned ear is necessary afterall.

Speaking of church and the organist, he played for the Bishop on Wednesday last as the parish enjoyed his annual visit. There was a show of nervousness before things got started, but he did an admirable job, of which we were certain anyway. He worries too much!

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the bottom line

THE CHIEFTAIN WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND THEIR CONDOLENCES TO THE McCaslin family on their loss. Donna will certainly be missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her. The shopping plaza will not be the same without her. We'll miss you Donna. (chieftain)

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THERE'S A PETITION IN CARDINAL THAT EVERYONE HAS TO SIGN! MARTHA Castleman is trying to convince the TD Bank headquarters that Cardinal needs an insta-bank. Now, I'm not from the village with the huge ditch, but I do travel there and it is extremely inconvenient to have to go to Prescott or Iroquois to grab some cash. Everyone should sign. (mcb)

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I WAS WATCHING JERRY SPRINGER THE OTHER NIGHT AND A THOUGHT (yes... sometimes I have one or two) occurred to me. What would you do if your significant other came home and asked you and your best friend to appear on the Springer show because she had something to tell you? Hmm.. I wonder. (mcb)

NATIONAL UNITY - GUN CONTROL - IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS either of these issues - please give Sean McKibbon a call at The Chieftain. You can reach Sean this Friday at 652-4395, or 652-4576, or fax him your opinion at 652-2508. (Please people.. stop bringing your guns into the office!) (mcb)

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SEAN'S MOM MOLLIE, WAS IN OTTAWA AT THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF Canada last Tuesday night. Mrs. McKibbon was reading a non-fiction piece. Unfortunately, Sean, like the rest of us, had to stay late to get out last week's issue. Sorry Mom! (mcb)

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I OWE TONY McCADDEN A HUGE APOLOGY!!! A PICTURE WHICH APPEARED in the April 30th edition of The Chieftain, showed the McFields Nursery sign and said the grass fire was at that location. It wasn't! THERE WAS NO FIRE AT McFIELD'S NURSERY. Once again, I am extremely sorry for the mix-up. (mcb)

LETTERS

New hydro commission needed

To the Editor:

Creation of the new municipality of South Dundas by amalgamation of the villages of Iroquois and Morrisburg and Matilda and Williamsburg townships will affect Hydro operations in this area while maintaining basic agreements.

Ontario Hydro, requested by this writer to investigate the impact of amalgamation on policy and related issues, has been in contact with Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing staff. They now have some appreciation of the scope of the proposals.

Most amalgamation studies are being driven by municipal corporations and quite often any municipal utilities within these corporations may not be directly involved in the restructuring discussions until much later in the process. In the case of the formation of the new Township of South Dundas, it seems some thought may have been given to the implications although very little, if any, information has been provided to the public as yet on this specific issue.

The United Counties contain some twenty-one municipalities of which eight currently operate a municipal utility. Restructuring calls for the reduction of the number of municipalities to seven, the Township of South Dundas being one of them.

The South Dundas amalgamation will resemble that of Alfred and Plantagenet (January 1, 1997) in that its formation will likely contain sections of a similar nature. The Order contained a section of Hydro Commissions and included the dissolving of the two municipal utilities in the former villages and the establishment of a new Hydro-Electric Commission for the new township.

Ratepayers in the part of the township outside the former villages would continue to be served by Ontario Hydro's Retail System, until such time as the newly formed utility might want to expand its service area to the full boundaries of the municipality, as spelled out in sections of the Power Corporation Act.

Such an expansion would include not only the transfer of the customers but also the purchase of the assets and facilities that are currently owned by Ontario Hydro's Retail System within the township.

It is probable that the existing local Hydro Commissions will be dissolved and a new commission established on the effective date of the merger, January 1, 1998. Hydro assumes that the Order will establish the composition of the Commission, its members and its staff.

Also, because of the continuation of the supply of service by Ontario Hydro to the ratepayers outside of the two former villages of Iroquois and Morrisburg, there will be two "levels" of Hydro rates in the new municipality: one for the ratepayers in the former villages, and one for the ratepayers in the former townships. The new utility could make an application to Ontario Hydro, through their Head Office, for approval of a single rate schedule prior to the implementation date of January 1, 1998.

With respect to any formal agreements regarding parklands and other property made between Ontario Hydro and the former villages and townships at the time of the St. Lawrence Seaway Project, Ontario Hydro assumes that the terms and conditions of the contracts are binding on the "successors and assigns" of the parties involved in the original documents.

Guy de Puyjalon
Iroquois

FROM THE FRONT

Morrisburg

ation ($90,000) which has already started. A sewage treatment plant study will continue with a $176,000 price tag. Lakeshore Drive sewer and water lines will be upgraded at $28,000 and amalgamation planning will cost $30,000.

The reeve finished by announcing that all of Morrisburg's previous debentures have been paid. "The village now has only one debenture which was taken out in 1996 for the Church Street project," said McGregor.

"I am really quite pleased with what we've accomplished," finished the reeve, praising the rest of council.



Donations

Ault Foods in Winchester and Nestle in Chesterville donated $1000 each to the Morrisburg and District Lions Club Car Rally. Held last Saturday in Morrisburg, the rally raised over $30,000 for the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. Pictured above from Ault Foods, the Lions and Nestle, Linda McMahon, Randy Veinotte and Debbie Comeau. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*

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Focus

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and tea with Sophia Loren and was on stage with Willie Nelson! The next thing I knew, I was living on a 100 acre farm with one out shed, no fences and a mortgage interest of 18.5% many referred to me as crazy...all I know is that I was and am happy!"

She made reference throughout her talk to the local area and to people known to all. Without telling the tales which grace the pages of her award winning book, I will tell you that she spoke of Murphy's Lobsters (steel toes in hip waders in case he is right about the St. Lawrence harbouring these crusty dudes!), The Pickle Summer (the trials and tribulations of growing gherkins.."I dreamed of my gherkins sucking up rain and growing into full burst cucumbers as I slept!) and Of Bulls and Variables (who needs 12 bulls for 12 cows?) had everyone laughing. When she mentioned how her farm will never truly be hers, rather, always the Noonan Farm, specifically the Tommy Noonan Farm...a chord seemed to be struck and the audience was in the palm of her hand. She explained how excited and delighted she was to win the award, but was brought back to reality when a friend stated, "If a pig named Babe can be nominated for an academy award, it is no stretch for a shepherd to win a literary award!"

Telling the audience that the characters in her books, Letters and Just a Minute -Glimpses of Our Great Canadian Heritage. The later contains a number of historical insights into famous Canadians...from Shuster who created Superman to McIntosh who grew an apple that is world known and enjoyed today...she provides a sense of character and dimension to Canadian history through small facts that have made this country great. A refreshing and novel way to look at history, this is a masterful read. She told everyone that she has not had a boring moment since becoming a shepherd, her stories are based on real people..."You meet great characters in the country and can develop them from real life experiences, that makes life in the country so great!"

Speaking to her afterwards, The Chieftain learned that she is eagerly awaiting her third novel, a sequel to Letters. "It will be on the shelves soon." She credits her father with getting her started on the path to writing; "He wanted stories about our long road trips every evening when we got home. I was six." A question on many lips was whether she missed the city. She answered, that she does not and is close enough to return for a day trip or an evening on the town if she wishes.

She intermingled her comedy with anecdotes with reference to the local community and the work the Lions Club does. She spoke about the playgrounds, the parks, the beach, the Bingos, the new bar in the civic centre and how excited she became when passing by Harry's Golf Course and how he was a testimony to Lions and especially to Iroquois-Matilda Lions. "You make things better, you Lions do. In the immortal words of Helen Reddy, "I am woman...hear me roar!" She extended congratulations to the Lions Club of Iroquois-Matilda on your 50th anniversary.

In thanking her, Lion Ron Swank expressed everyone's pleasure with her topic and her talk and noted how humour is vital to making life easier.

Various presentations followed on behalf of many organizations, to the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club: expressions of fifty more years of dedication, enthusiastic service and effort as individuals and as a team were spoken. As Bruce McIntosh said, "You enrich the lives of young children in your community and the world through the works you do." A congratulatory letter was read from the Prime Minister, Jean Chretien: the Governor General, Romeo LeBlanc; the province of Ontario; the Village of Iroquois; the Township of Matilda; the local Fire Department; and the Warden of the Three United Counties.

Lion Peter Swank noted that the local Lions have contributed one-half a million dollars to the community over the past fifty years..."If not for this, what would we have done?" There was a great deal of pride in each presentation in reaching such a milestone in their history of service, for the Lions Club of Iroquois-Matilda. President Glenn summed it up best when he said, "I would want to pass on the will to serve that has been given to me by Lions like yourself, Harry. What you older Lions give to each of us as we join the ranks of the largest service organization in the world is vital and we thank you for it."

Marsha signed my books and after dancing to Jim Wicks and Westburg Union as they pumped out some heavy tunes, the evening came to a close...Happy 50th Iroquois-Matilda Lions!!! and fifty more great ones ahead of you...as you accept the challenge of the next millennium.

Just Livin'

Continued from editorial page

The Alpha Course continues and is held on Tuesday evenings. As many of you know this is "the worst" night of the week for newspaper people. Things have been going well for us at The Chieftain as far as time goes and I have not been late once...until last week and I missed the meal. The big guy kindly thought of me and set my plate in the warming oven, so I ate as others cleared away after the meal, so things worked out well. My group seemed to have missed me and it is always wonderful to be thought of when absent. This week, I hope to hit the mealtime but have to leave early and attend a council meeting. I did warn the organizer of the course that I could not attend every one, and he felt it was no problem. I have to miss the weekend session as well due to International Scout Camp, I guess that I will have to work harder when I can get there.

It could be considered an event, and so I will mention it here. Skipper made her modeling debut on Thursday evening at the civic centre. A local lady arranged to hold a fashion show to lend support to the Scouts CJ'97 Fund and running low on models, snagged the old Skipper and dressed her all up in a waffle weave shirt and a pair of snazzy walking shorts. It was fun and the little tots who showed they w[illegible]orn for this were terrific. Shawn did a marvellous job and he probably could get a job doing this stuff. Thanks to all who came out and supported the youngsters.

Watching the political debate with the sick son and the other one was a unique experience. This election marks the first federal vote for the eldest and the younger is learning about the system we use in this country in his History class. His comments were great and as the flu bug was brought under control there was a bit of brotherly banter that kept their mother entertained, that is when the Preston, the two Jeans, Alexa, and Gilles show calmed to a dull roar. This brief experience provided a reason why History is important in the curriculum of my children at the high school level...too bad I am in the minority!

Enough rain already, we will soon feel like ducks! The five-day forecast only shows more rain for the next five days... Watching the floods and how the people in Manitoba react to their situation was a strong and moving story on the tube which captivated us for some time. It is easy to give what we are able to assist them after seeing just how terrible their lives are right now.

Taking a small part in the annual poetry sharing time sponsored by the local Library was awesome. Wanting to provide another outlook on spring and enjoying some quality listening and conversation, a cuppa tea with lemon, peanut butter and banana sandwiches and terrific coffee cake was most enjoyable.

Listening to the marvellous voices of our young people as they demonstrated their singing talent as they shared the pieces performed at the Music Festival last week was amazing...these youngsters can sing like angels!

Meeting Marsha Boulton was great. It was neat to learn that she drove around town to get a feel for the place and the people before speaking at the Lions Club 50th party.

The neighbours are having their drive paved, so the sons can go there and shoot a little one on one...oh well, the lilacs are bursting to bloom and the Mountain Ash is slowly coming to life after a winter it would rather forget. As spring brings life to the earth, the Herons and the Mallards are back in residence and the Canada Geese are nesting once more in the swamp. All seems well with nature, and for that we can be thankful.

Take care and stay happy. This week's wisdom comes from, Thomas McCauley who said, "The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he would never be found out."

Bird Notes

by
E. G. AVERY

The list of Summer residents coming back for nesting-time is almost complete. The first Hummingbirds should be here this week. One was visiting in Manotick on April 30.

Reports of two of the favourite song-birds have come this weekend, a Rose-breasted Grosbeak and a Baltimore Oriole, both famous for their beautiful voices.

Finches of all colours are adding their parts to the Robins' chorus. If the Robins are "calling for rain", they are certainly getting it as this is written. After the lovely sunny Sunday, we are back to wet and windy. Blue Monday?

Included in a Mother's Day phone call was a report of a Pileated Woodpecker, a first sighting of this largest of the species, not often seen "in town". However, the wooded area nearby made it possible to catch sight of the bird; this was in the Hamilton area.

Bird watchers in Irena have an impressive group of colourful visitors in their neighbourhood, red, gold and House Finches, and a surprise when a pair of Bluebirds came to inspect a nesting box. The hole was too small, and they couldn't get in. However, after the birds left, the owner of the box enlarged the entrance hole, and guess what! the next day the Bluebirds returned, carrying nesting material; no problem. The first Warbler to appear was also a surprise when a Black and White was seen. Watch for the Warblers which usually come in May. The most common ones we see here are the Yellow-rump (formerly known as the Myrtle) Magnolia and Yellow Warbler. They rarely perch for more than two seconds at a time, and are most difficult to "catch" with the binoculars. Most of these birds are tiny, about 5", and constantly flitting from branch to branch.

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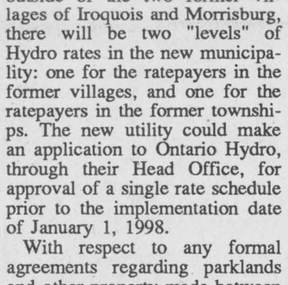

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Sports

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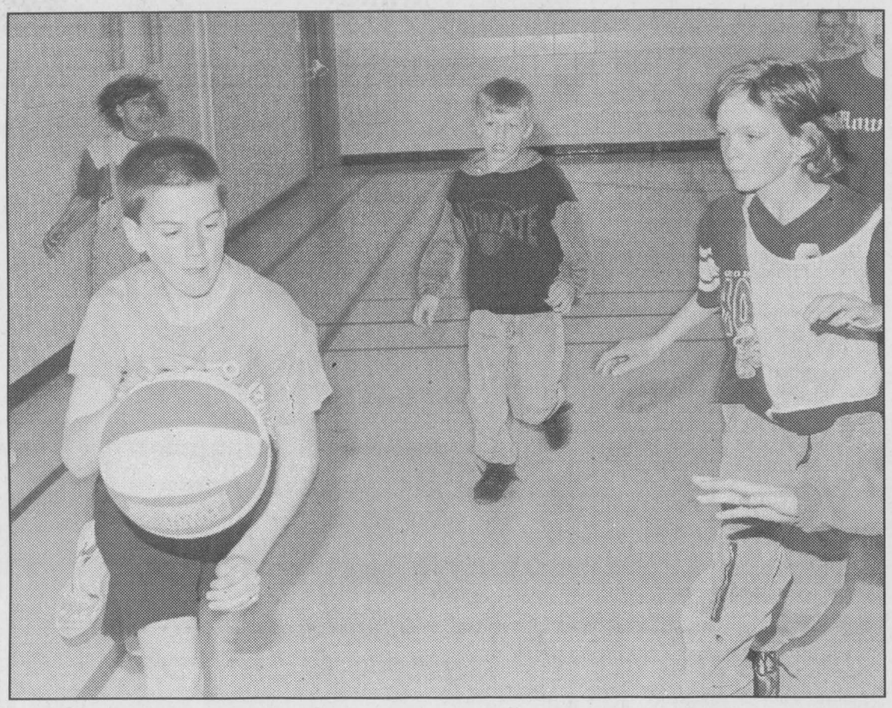
SD & G track meet this Thursday



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Playing with heart

St. Cecilia's School students held their Hoops for Heart fundraiser for the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Friday May 9th. The 11 team tournament raised $1,878 for the foundation, Head Boy Victor Schraner reported. The Wildcats won the senior student's tournament while the Funky Monkeys won the junior division.

Spartans do well at warm-up meet

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Travis Thompson continues to impress. Sharon Spear easily won her events and a year off did wonders for Sarah Trude.

The Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SD & G) Warm-up meet in Cornwall last week went off without a hitch and had a few surprises as well.

Most surprising for Coach Irv Francis was the performance of Shanna Dawley in the, brace yourself, javelin!

"She's never even picked one up before," exclaimed Francis of Dawley's performance in the javelin event. "She threw it 21m! Her closest competitor threw it 14m."

Dawley capped off her debut javelin performance with first place finishes in the 100m and 200m race.

A day of firsts for Seaway athletes, Travis Thompson, himself a first year track man, decided to give the 800m race a try.

"He was out in front when this kid passed him and he ended up in second, but this kid (Travis) is going to be hard to beat." According to the coach, Travis could have easily won, "but he was caught by surprise and he just needs a little more experience."

Thompson will race the 400m, 800m and the 1500m at SD & G Meet this Thursday.

Although there were no hurdle events at the warm-up meet, Sharon Spear did race. "She easily won the 400m and the 800m," said Francis.

Taking a year off to concentrate on her school work last year, Sarah Trude made a triumphant return to the Spartans track team this year and after excellent finishes at the TISS meet and the David Stevens Memorial, did well at the warm-up meet last week.

"She (Sarah) finished second behind Spear in the 400m and the 800m," Francis commented.

As for midget Dave Vandermeer, what can be said?

Vandermeer finished first in the high jump, first in the long jump and coach Francis thinks he has a legitimate shot at the Ontario Federation of Secondary School Athletic Association (OFSSAA) track and field meet in June.

"He's (Dave) going to enter the triple jump, the long jump and the high jump and if he continues to do as well as he has been doing, he could take the top midget boy honours," said the coach.

Stephanie DeVries also had a good day at the warm-up event, with first place finishes in the 100m, 200m and 400m.

Jen Morrow was also outstanding last week for the senior girls with second place finishes in the 100m and 200m.

Seaway field event champion Alan Markell was also on his game last week. Placing first in the shot put at TISS and the David Stevens Memorial, Markell continued his winning ways at the warm-up meet with another first place finish.

This Thursday, Seaway will compete at the SD & G meet in Cornwall.



Jump Rope for heart

Jump Rope for Heart has been an ongoing project for the Heart and Stroke Foundation raising much needed money for research to combat these deadly diseases. Last week, this group of eighteen students, travelled to a number of area primary schools in the Leeds and Grenville Board of Education, to show-off skipping tricks and raise money for the foundation.

Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.



Slo-pitch

The Cardinal Slo-pitch league began play under sunny skies last Wednesday evening (May 7th) in Cardinal. After week one, the undefeated Baha Beach Club lead the pack with four points. The House Doctors are in second with three points and third place is held by The 730 Truck Stop.

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Perth Fastball Shootout in July

Mid July, Conlon Farm Park, eight world class fastpitch softball teams will vie for $10,000 in prize money.

The action promises to be hot and heavy from the first game Friday at 6 pm through the championship game Sunday afternoon. Four very strong American teams - Tampa Bay Smokers, Decatur Pride, The Farm Tavern from Madison, Wisconsin and The Clearwater Bombers, expect to challenge for the $6,000 champions share. World class hurlers Darren Zack, Todd Martin, Steve Price, Haydon Smith, Paul Algar and Brad Baker are sure to be on "their game" while competing in the Shootout.

Canadian entrants Victoria Legends, Owen Sound Tirement, Waterloo Twins and Kemptville Thunder, will have plenty to say about the outcome.

Again, in 1997, special events highlight the tournament weekend in Perth. Saturday afternoon, Napanee Express and Smiths Falls Redmen tangle in a junior exhibition game. Also, Softball Canada plans to host one of their popular "Super Camps" for boys and girls.

Sunday afternoon, before the championship game, Stittsville 56ers and Napanee will showcase midget fastball talent.

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Kick-off

The Seaway Spartans Men's soccer team held their first practice of the year last Wednesday evening. Held at Seaway District High School in Iroquois, the Spartans had a good turnout and are looking forward to a banner year. The teams newest addition, Darrell "Pele" Moore (kicking soccer ball far right) is expected to fill the net.

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Cardinal fish and game club

The Cardinal Fish and Game Club is holdiing a Junior Week-long Derby free to all junior members from May 24th to May 31st. Last weigh-in at 2:00 p.m., May 31st. Prizes to follow weigh-in at Point Cardinal Marina. Free hot dogs and drinks. Eight and under perch, sunfish, rock bass, 9-12 perch and pike, 13-16 perch and pike.

The Week-long Pike Derby is May 24th to June 1st. First $500.00, 2nd $200.00; 3rd $100.00, plus many more prizes. Tickets are $10.00 for members, $15 for non-members. Special draws for live release. St. Lawrence River fish only. Two special prizes for top two pickeral.

Weigh-ins at Point Cardinal Marina from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily. Prizes given out at the Legion June 3 at 7 p.m.

Sports Briefs

IROQUOIS
Golf meeting

Iroquois Legion Branch 370 members are asked to attend the golf meeting on May 15th at 6:30 pm in the bar lounge. The meeting will be about the Zone G3 golf tournament to be held in Iroquois June 19th, as well as the Legion week golf tournament event to be held in September.

MORRISBURG
New courts!

Morrisburg Recreation Committee (MRC) was given permission to use the parkinglot east of the ball diamonds as a basketball court. Council also gave the MRC approval in principal to use the arena, free of charge, every Saturday night for roller skating. "At this point, I'll say yes, go ahead, but we'll have to look a little further into it," cautioned the reeve.

MORRISBURG
Kids roller hockey

Garry Beckstead will be organizing an inline skating league for children at the Morrisburg Arena this summer. The recreational league will play Saturday mornings from 9 am to 10 am and will be for children 7 to 9 years-of-age. For more information call (613) 543-3843.

IROQUOIS
Snooker title

The 1997 Men's Snooker singles title was played for last Thursday evening (May 8th). The Ray Kenney Memorial trophy was won byDuane Kirker over Paul Murray in the finals.

IROQUOIS
Doubles tourney

The Men's Snooker Doubles Tournament at the Iroquois Legion will be held May 22nd. Play will start at 7 pm. The winners of the doubles tournament will take home the Beaupre Jewellers Trophy.

National Little League Week held this June

Little League Canada announced that the first week of June has again been officially designated Little League Week.

A tradition that began in 1959 serves to acknowledge the dedication of its volunteers and the desire to develop in young people, "a feeling of fair play, community spirit and respect for the discipline of rules and decisions."

In officially naming June 2-8 National Little League Week, Prime Minister Jean Chretien comments, "Baseball demands agility, endurance and a strong commitment to excellence. Your involvement with Little League testifies to the love of the sport; I know that you have met the many challenges of the past season with great enthusiasm and that you are looking forward to a new and exciting 1997 season."

Little League Baseball is the largest organized youth sports program in the world with over three million participants on 200,000 teams in 81 countries.

In Canada, there are currently 73,000 players on over 5,000 teams as well as 30,000 officials and volunteers. There are division for boys and girls in both baseball and softball and the Challenger division for physically and mentally disabled children.

Little League Canada is financially independent and operated a national program through the efforts of dedicated volunteers and one full time employee.

"Little League Week provides the communities an opportunity to celebrate their programs and acknowledge the efforts of the players, sponsors and officials," said Joe Shea, President, Little League Canada. Mr. Shea states, "1997 will see the launch of the newest part of Little League, the Little League Alumni." Details of this new initiative will be announced during Little League Week.

Cardinal Slo-pitch league began play last week

The Baha Beach Club, in their inaugural season, dominated the first week of Cardinal Slo-pitch action.

Baha downed the Matilda Mud Hens 16-11 and defeated Boomer's Sports Bar 23-8, to capture first place in the league with four points.

The House Doctors are in second with a win and a tie and the 730 Truck Stop is alone in third with two points.

The Mud Hens and Doyles are tied for fourth with a point each and in fifth, with no points, Scorpions and Boomer's.

The last time the league had seven teams was 1990. Jin's Hideaway won both the regular season and the playoff championship.

Let Rick Cauvier take you Trackside this year

by Rick Cauvier

This year we've made a few changes, trading four wheels for two.

We are going back to Grand Prix Motorcycle Racing and for the first time I will not be doing the driving. My son Cory says he can kick my butt anytime so he will be in the driver's seat.

To race motorcycles you first have to attend a race school where they show you the "do's and dont's" about racing. The night before, we packed up the truck with tool boxes, the race suit and helmet and then we got up at 4:30 am to go to the school.

It was the first time in years I didn't have to yell twice to get him up.

The school went fine with lots of track time. My boy says this ain't so tough, until the next day when he tried to pass another rider on the outside of turn four and the bike slid out from under him.

A slight sprained ankle and a bent bike, oh well, I guess he'll kick my butt next week!

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Iroquois and District
Community Calendar

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Iroquois W.I. meeting, May 15, 7:30 p.m., Iroquois Civic Centre. Agriculture meeting. Please bring plants for plant exchange.

Chili Night, Fri., May 23, Iroquois Legion, starting at 5 p.m. $3/person.

Auction Sale (The Spring Thing) by **Knox Presbyterian Church, Iroquois,** on the Church parking lot, **Sat., May 24.** Viewing from **9-10 a.m., auction starts at 10 a.m.** Lunch available throughout the day. Look for complete list of items in the May 14th & 21st issues of The Chieftain.

The Iroquois Lawn Bowling Club invites you to join them for an **Open House, Mon., May 26, 1:30 p.m. at their Club on Carman Road.** All you need is a pair of flat (running style) shoes.

Parent Finders Brockville, next meeting Wed., May 28, 7 p.m., Westminster Public School, Brockville. For info call (613) 925-3383.

St. Andrew's & St. James Presbyterian Church, Cardinal "Coming Events" for 1997: June 26: Strawberry Social; **Sept. 6:** Rummage Sale; **Oct. 23:** Anniversary Dinner; **Nov. 29:** Christmas Bazaar.

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Area farmers take advantage of Internet on-line service

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

It's not an image that city slickers would associate with farms, but farmers are getting on-line and surfing the info highway, says the owner of an equine training centre near Iroquois.

People in agriculture and animal husbandry have been among the quickest to adopt the Internet as a business tool says Fred Guse, owner of Siebenfeld Equestrian Centre.

"As a community we seem to be embracing the (world wide) web. I think it's because-- I won't say that we're isolated, but sometimes we're distant from sources of information and this is a way of being connected to it.

Being connected to information more quickly, as well as having access to information one wouldn't normally even know about are some of the reasons Paul Henderson uses the Internet. A dairy farmer and representative to the Ontario Dairy Farmers Association, Henderson says he uses the Internet just to be a little more aware of what's going on. He says that the Milk Marketing Board will now let dairy farmers see results of analysis of their milk on the Internet.

"We're getting a little bit more into cash crops so I started looking at corn futures on the Internet.

"I don't tend to browse. There are specific things I go looking for and then I get off. I don't have time to spend watching the television screen," says Henderson. Of the 30 hours a month of Internet service Henderson purchases, he estimates his family uses only 15.

He says some of his favorite websites are ones maintained by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, the Chicago board of trade, and the Dairy Farmers of Ontario.

But he has ranged farther afield (in a virtual sense), visiting a website in Australia dealing with droughts. Henderson says he's cautious about the information he finds on websites.

"I know there's no police out there checking to see how accurate this stuff is so I do take it all with a grain of salt.

Guse, who has worked with horses all his life, says he has made a successful sideline business out of constructing websites for other people in the farming industry. Family Farms, K6 Farms and the Ontario Paint Horse Association are just some of his website clients. Guse says that in addition to the information to be had on the Internet, there is money too. He says that Family Farms which specializes in goat milk production is looking for secondary sales of the milk on their website.

"My son is a ferrier and he's picked up quite a few clients on the Internet. And now he schedules his appointments with about half his clients over e-mail," he says.

Guse says e-mail can save a lot of money in a telephone exchange like Iroquois, where long distance charges apply to almost any phone call except ones to Morrisburg.

This winter Guse helped to conduct some introductory workshops on the Internet in conjunction with the Kemptville College of Agricultural Technology.

Debbie Gilmer a continuing education worker at KCAT said that the workshops were generally well received.

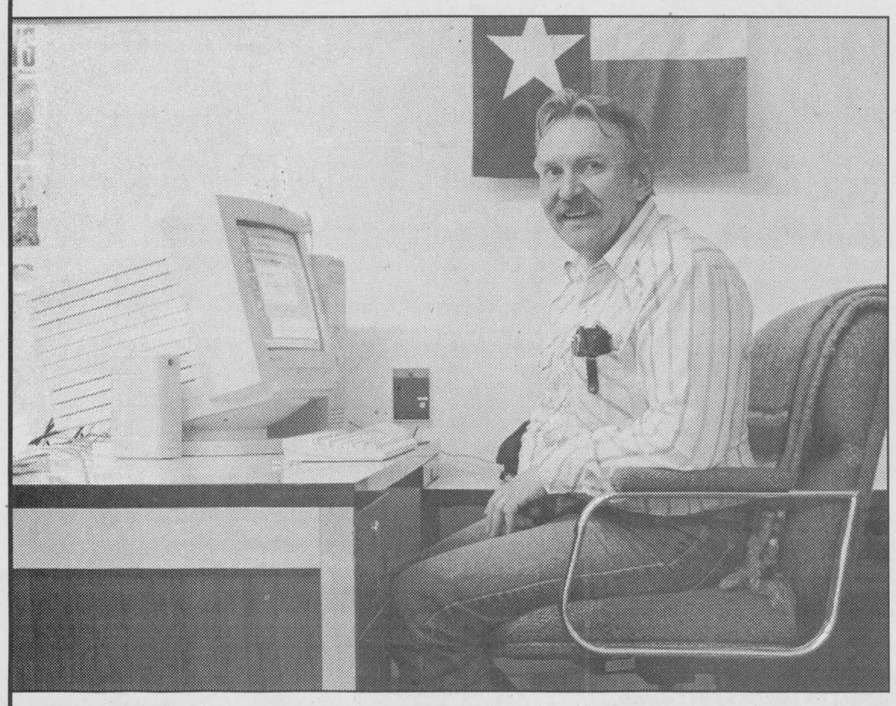
"They liked that it was hands on and the fact that they could network with the other participants," says Gilmer.

She says that of the 37 participants, more than a third thought they would change their farm management practices by using the Internet for pricing and purchasing equipment as well as for accessing information.

For example she says farmers can log onto the University of Perdue website and find out about corn trial results before they are published elsewhere.

However more work needs to be done to improve the Internet and help people get on line. Another 30 per cent of the participants in the workshop said they didn't feel like they had enough know how to configure hardware for Internet use.

She says she expects KCAT will run another set of courses because of the positive response to the course and the many benefits for farmers using the Internet.



High ho Internet, away!

Fred Guse, owner of Siebenfeld Equestrian Centre, uses the Internet and world wide web to keep on top of the latest in information for horses and riders. He's made a business out of constructing websites for other people involved in the animal husbandry and agriculture industry.

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Looking back: A call to march in '67

Why farmers should march May 24th

Submitted by the Grenville County Committee

There are numerous reasons why it has become necessary that we, peaceful, respectable food producing Canadians must rise up and march.

Our farm leaders have been working for years to have our governments recognize the need for a policy that will give the farmers an equitable share in the affluent society that they are working to create.

We want a policy that will give all producers a net income position that allows them at least a minimum of dignity and well being.

The farmers have the right to know from their government what the goals are that have been set for agricultural policy. We have a right to know what will happen to our industry and all the programs that affect it, not only this fall and next fall, but five years or more from now.

The marchers who go to Ottawa will still be after $5.00 for milk. We will still want a square deal for split shippers and cream shippers. But most of all we want a coherent, comprehensive, long-range program for our industry.

We must give our farm leaders the support they need to bring pressure on the government to adopt such a policy.

As co-ordinator of Grenville County I would ask all farmers to add their support. Team captains have been canvassing the townships. Any farmer who has not made arrangements to go should contact the township organizers as follows: Edwardsburgh-- Irwin Adam, Ross Somerville, Walter Froom; Augusta-- Earl Knapp, Keith Mathie, Jim Brooks; Oxford-- Arthur Lucus, Harry Charmichael, Ken Pratt; Wolford-- Mervin Baker, Bill Maitland; South Gower-- Paul McGahey, Morley Anderson, Earl Gaw, or the Grenville County Co-ordinator Howard Cleary.

It was a call to arms in 1967. The Ontario Milk Marketing Board had been formed two years earlier and was responsible for group 1 or liquid milk price setting.

Farmers in Ontario were angry back then says Ross Somerville. He says group 2 milk used for cheese, butter and other products was still being co-ordinated by the federal ministry of agriculture.

"The price of milk was very low, farmers were living almost at the poverty line," says Somerville, noting that many group 2 dairy producers worked seasonally and might expect only $3-4,000 from their milk in a year.

Somerville says that the Ministry of Agriculture used to set milk quotas by province. He says that Ontario farmers who were awarded about 15 per cent of the national quota were upset that the province of Quebec was awarded as much as 40 per cent.

Unlike today it was impossible to buy a milk quota, but friction between the provinces erupted when milk producers would come into Ontario and buy up cows from group 2 producers for the milk quota attached to the cows.

Somerville says that after the protest the price for milk did indeed increase and better rules were made to regulate quota transfer between provinces.

"When the milk marketing board came in that was the beginnings of making a decent livelihood. The price of milk does stick in consumers minds, but why doesn't a farmer's income warrant a few day's holidays just like city guys?" says Somerville.

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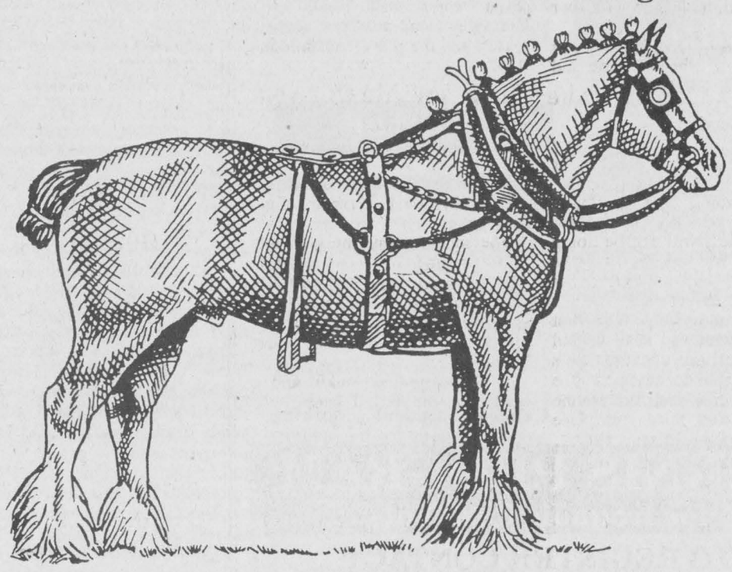

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Linda, Jonas, Marnie, Art and Grandchildren Julie and Colin
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Lynda McQuigge
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Thanks God.
S.T.
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11:00 a.m.
Admiral side-by-side refrigerator-freezer - 3 years old; Whirlpool matching washer & dryer - 3 years old; round dining room table c/w 3 leaves & 5 chairs; china cabinet; bed-chesterfield; chesterfield & matching chair; coffee & end tables; small china cabinet; fancy hall table; cloverleaf table; 2 sets of matching dresser & chest of drawers; dresser c/w mirror; 2 chests of drawers; mirrored wardrobe; cedar chest; bookcase bed; iron bed; oval mirror; hall tree; captain's chair; table & chairs; assorted wooden chairs; small tables; filing cabinet; radio; air purifier; quilts; doilies; bedding knick knacks; quantity of silverware; quantity of good glass & china; assorted dishes; pots & pans; old post cards; copies of The Iroquois Post and Matilda Advocate from 1939; "Story of Dundas"; assorted tools; water pump; sump pump; 100' sewer snake; router; wooden extension ladder; numerous other items.
Terms: Cash or Approved Cheque
House Sold
Proprietor: Klaas Grootjans
652-2402
-Auctioneer-
James Cooper
Cardinal
652-4145
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Auctions

Auction Sale
"The Spring Thing"
by
Knox Presbyterian Church
Iroquois
On the church parking lot (in the church hall in the event of rain)
Saturday, May 24
Viewing 9 to 10 a.m.
Auction starting 10 a.m. sharp
Player piano; electric organ; Everest Jennings travelling wheel chair; assorted wicker ware; stool with wicker seat; wooden magazine rack; floor model metal record & CD storage rack; antique brass ceiling fixture c/w globes; Smith Corona electric portable typewriter with hard cover carrying case - like new; Lazy Boy style arm chair; 48 in. wide hide-a-bed; assorted framed pictures; antique marbles (alleys); railway style lantern; assorted antique glassware; 2 stove hoods; assorted garden tools; lawn lounge w/cushion; 24 in high wooden lamp stand; 32 in. high 4 shelf wood corner unit; lawn chairs; antique Singer sewing machine - pedal type; Popular Mechanics and Home Mechanics magazines; Rogers Majestic 48 in. antique radio/record player cabinet c/w an Akai - GX 270-D tape unit and many tapes; Clairol hair-styling set; interior child's Super Swing set; assorted ornaments; 32 in. x 80 in. six pane solid wood exterior door; 32 in. x 80 in. HD aluminum storm door; drape rods; 1/4" finishing strip; child's "Hot Cycle"; 27 in. ladies Empire single speed bicycle; framed scenic picture with battery clock; 39 in. wide metal bed frame c/w box spring and mattress; 1 vinyl covered and 1 cloth covered arm chairs; jute backed plush beige carpets 7 ft. x 12 ft. and 41 in. x 12 ft., outdoor basketball unit c/w basket and pole, Viking cabinet radio/record player; Ronson electric shoe-shine kit; assorted garden hoses; lawn chairs; metal gas can; assorted lawn sprinklers; deep fryer; shallow well pump w/tank; assorted tool boxes; canning sealers; assorted wooden chairs; assorted kitchen appliances and utensils; assorted table and floor lamps; 78 RPM records; electric fans; assorted paints, magazine racks; Olympia manual typewriter; metal storage racks; 2 computer print tables; high backed swivel desk chair; apartment sized fridge; 2 cabinet TV's; metal trunk; metal trunk style suit cases; hard cover suit cases; artificial Christmas tree; 41" wood bed frame w/head and foot boards; portable briquette barbecue w/rotissary; brass floor stand ash or candy trays; gas powered lawn sweeper; assorted antique furniture; venetian blinds; wheel barrow; snow fencing; lawn mower; car top carrier with nylon cover; several antique school desks; antique Underwood typewriter; many electric baseboard heaters - like new; hood type hair dryers; platform rocker chairs; portable TV; plus items coming in daily.
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Auctioneers: Gerry Morrell and Knox Thompson
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Auction Sale
Vehicles, Farm Machinery & Small Items
Travel 1 mile east of Spencerville on County Road 21 then left on Miller Road or Travel south of Kemptville on Hwy. 16 to Ventnor Road and go east 1 mile then right on Miller Road.
Saturday, May 17
11:00 a.m.
Vehicles: 1995 Dodge Ram Laramie SLT 1500, V8, 4 x 4, short box, loaded; 1989 Chrysler Daytona, 2.2 litre, bucket seats, loaded; vehicles sell safetied.
Terms on Vehicles: $1,000 down, cash or certified cheque on sale day. Balance payable by certified cheque on May 20, 1997 before removal from premises.
Farm Machinery & Small Items: New Idea 3618 manure spreader, endgate, new 1996; New Idea 483 round baler, electric tie, excellent condition; 24' steel round bale rack and 10-ton wagon; John Deere wagon & rack; Hesston PT-10 haybine; NH 256 rake; 2 gravity boxes and wagons; M.F. plow, 4-furrow, 3pth; IH tandem discs, 10'; Norse 1000 S-tine trail cultivator with wings; trail cultivator; IH No. 10 seed drill c/w grass seed box; land roller; drag harrows; bush hog 7' rotary cutter; Case 80 combine for parts; 1976 Yamaha snowmobile; single horse buckboard & harness; truck cap for full size half ton; truck cap for Dodge Ram 50; assorted tools; electric motor from Patz stable cleaner; electric motors; misc. machinery parts; new starter for White or Cockshutt tractor; tractor chains; energy-free livestock waterer, used 1 year; steel posts; milk cans; 40 stanchions;milker parts; cast iron seat; old signs; 2 steel culverts; scrap iron; quantity of 2 x 4's, 2 x 6's & 2 x 8's; plywood & panelling; doors & windows; replacement thermopanes; Selkirk chimney sections; many other items.
Household Effects: Walnut dining room table & 6 chairs; assorted chairs & tables; dressers; G.E. dryer; gas BBQ; Kirby vacuum; photocopier; B & W TV; humidifier; assorted dishes; linens; old bottles; skiis; numerous other articles.
Sale Order: 11:00 a.m. - small items & household effects; 1:00 p.m. - farm machinery & vehicles.
Terms: Cash or Approved Cheque
Proprietor: Vandine Farms Limited and D. Vandine
Spencerville
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Cardinal
Home: 652-4145
Sale Day: 498-7561
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Auctions

Evening Auction Sale
Farm Machinery & Small Items
Travel 2 1/2 miles south of Roebuck on County Road 18 then west on McCrae Road or north of Prescott, through Domville to McCrae Road.
Friday Evening
May 23
6:00 p.m.
Hesston PT 7 haybine; New Idea haybine - 9' cut; Gyro-rake - 3pth; Massey Ferguson No. 10 baler; wagon c/w new 18' rack; 2 wagons & racks; hay & grain elevator; I.H. manure spreader c/w new apron; Kemper corn cutter - 3pth; Allis Chalmers blower; Rex forage box; Massey Ferguson 2 row corn planter - 3 pth; George White sprayer - 3 pth; fertilizer spreader; post hole auger; vertical wood splitter - 3 pth; 2 furrow trail plow; Westfield pony harrows; 2 steel feeders on skids; 2 mineral feeders; LPS tank; heated water bowl - like new; cedar fence posts; 20 cord of hardwood; lawn mower; wagon load of miscellaneous items.
Terms: Cash or Approved Cheque
Proprietor: Louanne Bell
658-5505
-Auctioneer-
James Cooper
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Auction Sale
Tools, Household Effects & Riding Lawnmower
Corner of Sophia & Fourth Street
Johnstown
Saturday, May 24
10:30 a.m.
Oval dining room table c/w 1 leaf & 6 chairs; Zenith console television; console stereo; modern juke box; maple dresser c/w mirror & matching night stand; 5 piece bedroom suite; single maple bed; cedar chest; love seat; end tables; reclining chair; 2 rattan chairs; breakfast table & 2 chairs; tea wagon; area rugs;lamps; large mirror; fireplace tools; coal iron; cast iron kettle; pressure cooker; crock pot;punch bowl; cups & saucers; tablecloths; bedding Christmas decorations; dehumidifier; 2 bar stools; ladies 3 speed bicycle; glass top patio table c/w chairs & umbrella; gas barbeque; firewood; step railings; wooden doors; chimney pieces; wooden ladder; wet/dry vac; kerosene heater; box stove; battery charger; sewer snake; extension cords; floor jacks; Rockwell Beaver lathe; wood turning chisels; Rockwell table saw; router; circular saw; Workmate 400; mechanics tool chest & roller cabinet; assorted mechanics's wrenches; pipe wrenches; tap and die set; hammers; hand saws; garden tools;hand sprayer; hedge trimmer; wheel barrow; Ariens snowblower; lawnmower; MTD 8 hp riding lawnmower; garden trailer.
Numerous Other Miscellaneous Items
Terms: Cash or Approved Cheque
House Sold
Proprietor: Mrs. Lorna Boyd
-Auctioneer-
James Cooper
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Forthcoming Marriage
Terry and Judy Laurin of Morrisburg and Jane & Jim Baker of Winchester wish to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Cindy to Adam, son of Kees Van Engen and Louise Godbout of Finch. Marriage will take place at Lakeshore Drive United Church, Morrisburg on Saturday, July 26th, 1997.

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Clerk's Office & Works Department
Will be CLOSED Monday, May 19, 1997

Garbage Pickup will be Tuesday, May 20, 1997

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NOTICE BOARD

Tenders will be received until **4:00 p.m., May 22, 1997 at the Township Office.**

Sealed Tenders clearly marked as to contents "Grass & Weed Mowing" Along Roads

Tender forms may be picked up at Municipal Office
Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sealed Tenders plainly marked as to contents will be received by the undersigned up to **4:00 p.m. Thursday, May 22, 1997** for the following work on the Westervelt Municipal Drain. The quantities are estimated.

Earth Excavation and Spreading	4199 M^3
Hardpan Excavation and Disposal	1222 M^3
Rock Excavation and Disposal	4 M^3
1 Sediment Barrier, Farm Crossing and a County Road Culvert	

Tender documents available at the Clerk's Office.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W.E. Horner
Clerk-Treasurer

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

DESTROY WEEDS

Notice is hereby given to all persons in possession of land, in accordance with the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990 Chapter W.5 Sections 3, 16 and 23 that unless noxious weeds growing on their lands within the Municipality of Matilda Township are destroyed by date of June 9, 1997 and throughout the season, the Municipality may enter upon the said lands and have the weeds destroyed, charging the costs against the land, as set out in the Act.

The cooperation of all citizens is earnestly solicited.

W.E. Horner
Clerk

Howard Guy
Weed Inspector

OBITUARIES

Donna Lee McCaslin

The community was shocked to learn of the sudden passing at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital, on Tuesday, May 6, 1997, of Donna Lee McCaslin (nee McCrea).

Born in Prescott on March 1, 1943, Donna was 54 years of age at the time. She had lived at RR2, Iroquois since 1965 when she wed Lee McCaslin on June 26, in Prescott.

A member of Knox Presbyterian Church in Iroquois, Donna was well known and liked in the community she called home. A store clerk at the Iroquois branch of the LCBO, Donna was a familiar face in the shopping plaza. Always ready with a smile and a hearty hello, she will be missed by many.

Mourning their loss are a son, David and his wife Lori and daughters; Lisa and her husband, Matt Hall and Tanya, all of Iroquois. As well she is sadly missed by sisters; Mary Lou (Mrs. Ron Render) of Hepworth, Ontario and Trudy (Mrs. Luke Swarts) of Brockville. Four grandchildren: Gregory and Jordon McCaslin and Courtney and Kelsey Hall miss their gramma. Nieces, nephews and cousins also survive.

Donna was predeceased by her parents, Edmund and Mary McCrea (nee Perry) and an infant son, Gregory.

Memorial donations to a charity of choice were appreciated by the family. Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois. Service was conducted at Knox Presbyterian Church in Iroquois on Friday, May 9, 1997 with Reverend Marion Johnston officiating. Interment followed at Knox Cemetery, Iroquois Point. Pallbearers were all nephews and cousins: Allan and Paul McCaslin, Sean, Curtis, Jeff and Tim Render.

Paul Croteau

Suddenly at home, Joseph Paul Croteau on May 7, 1997.

Paul had lived at Apartment 18, 10 Windsor Drive in Brockville, since 1979. He was a Second Pressman at Sherwood Packaging.

Born in Brockville on April 19, 1956, Paul was 41 years of age. He had been raised at RR1, Iroquois and resided in St. Catherines previous to moving to Brockville.

Predeceased by his father, Paul Croteau; two brothers; Yvon and Rene and a sister, Susanne, he is sadly missed by his mother, Gertrude Croteau; and a sister, Lise (Mrs. Roger Coulter), all of Iroquois. Also mourning their loss are brothers; John (Carol) of Brockville, Guy (Nancy) of Iroquois, Luc (Monique) of Gananoque and Frank (Bonnie) of Domville. He is also missed by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorial donations to a charity of choice were appreciated by the family. A private family service was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois, with no visitation. Reverend Farnsworth officiated on Monday, May 12. Interment of cremated remains followed at St. Mary's Cemetery in Morrisburg.

Harmony Community Church
(Missionary Church of Canada)
Hwy. 31 & Ormond Rd.
774-5170

10:30 am Celebration Service
10:30 am Outdoor Sunday School
7:30 pm Evening Service
Wed. 7:30 pm Bible Study



Esso helps UCP

Hartley Hodgson the new owner of Hartley's Sportshop and Esso Gasbar (formerly Swensons) poses with Roseann Kelly, Upper Canada Playhouse administrator, Imperial Oil rep Diane Binette and Lois Rosenquist. Imperial Oil made a $500 donation to the Playhouse's Youth Theatre program.

Chieftain photo by S.McKibbon

Seaway this week

by Sarah-Jane Whittaker

On May 2, seven Seaway students travelled to Cornwall to participate as soloists in the annual Kinsmen Music Festival. Among those who competed, Colleen Ortwein earned bronze while Jennifer Adams, Maureen Adams, and Ginger MacIntyre each captured silver in their respective categories. Soloists Bambi Blue and Tami Harper did extremely well, each winning gold in their individual divisions. Congratulations to all those who participated and thanks to Seaway's music teacher, Miss Kristine Flaherty, for organizing Seaway's competitors and to Miss Sharlene Hoftyzer for accompanying the girls.

On Monday, Seaway's Envirothon Team participated at the Regional Competition in Long Sault. The team, consisting of coach Mrs. Karen Koivumaki and members Tim Casselman, James Garlough, Jordan Julien, Kereen Wardle and Eric Wemmerman, competed exceptionally well to place third overall with 94 points, just one point behind the second place team and a point away from a spot at the provincial competition in Oshawa. Congratulations for your outstanding performance - we look forward to next year.

Last week was officially Education Week, and Seaway participated on several fronts. The students in Miss Sarah Lewis' Grade 12 art class displayed their oil paintings at the Iroquois branch of the Royal Bank for the week, while Seaway's Junior Band gave an excellent outdoor performance on Thursday at lunch for students and adults alike. Thanks to all those who lent their talents to Seaway's Education Week efforts. Well Done!

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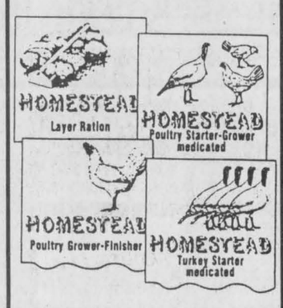

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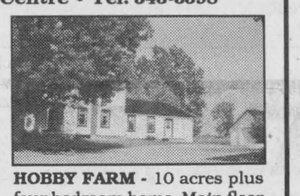

HOBBY FARM - 10 acres plus four bedroom home. Main floor family room, den, kitchen/dining area and two 4 pc. baths. Barn with 9 horse stalls, tack room, loafing barn and riding rink. Detached garage and workshop. **ASKING $110,000.00.** MLS



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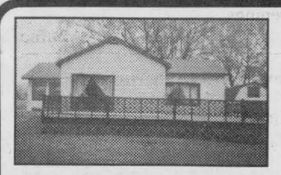

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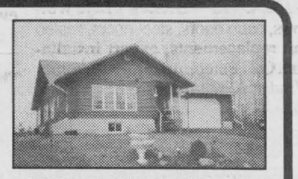

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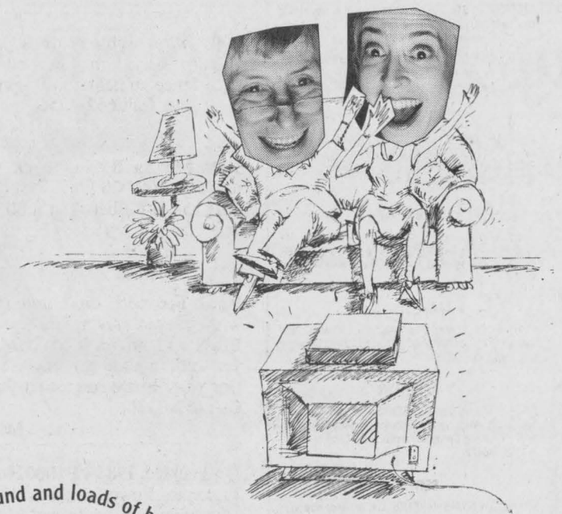

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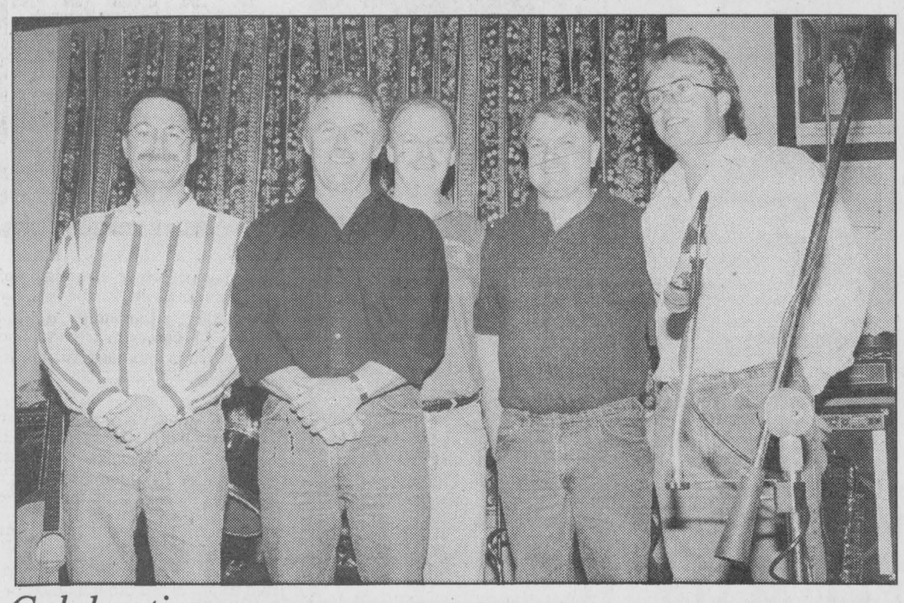

Celebration gang

Jim Wicks and Westburg Union provided some fine entertainment, and the dancing music as the local Lions Club celebrated 50 years of serving their community. The tunes ranged from country to rock and that old stuff was mighty fine listenin'. Everyone enjoyed the evening's festivities and these fellows contributed in style. We caught them for the snapshot as they took the stage to warmup before the first set.

Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

Upper Canada Village is ready for the new season

Upper Canada Village has awoke from its hibernation and is gearing up for a fun-filled season of historical entertainment and drama. The Village will officially open for its 37th season on Saturday, May 17. On Sunday, May 18, visitors will be able to join the Village townsfolk in honouring Queen Victoria on her birthday.

The drop sheets and dust mops have been put away and a day of festivity has been planned for the entire family. On the program are a militia muster, athletic games and demonstrations, a fire engine trial and a special patriotic ceremony.

In the early afternoon, villagers will gather to celebrate her Majesty Queen Victoria's birthday, and the arrival of spring. Following invigorating historical speeches by village dignitaries, visitors will be ready to join in the singing of "God Save the Queen."

During the afternoon, there will be plenty of opportunity for children of all ages to experience the past. Parents and youngsters are invited to attend the ever popular "Temperance Society Meeting", watch the sedentary militia muster and the fire engine trial with the Village's flashy hand-pumping engine called "The Queeen" and lace up for foot races and many other games taking place at the Village Fairgrounds.

Visitors will want to make time for browsing through the Village Store which is stocked with many new crafts, products and Village souvenirs.

Admission to Upper Canada Village is $12.50 for adults, $11.50 for seniors, $9.00 for students and $6.00 for children 5 to 12 years of age. Children 4 and under are admitted free-of-charge. Visitors may want to take advantage of two great specials: people can come back the next day for free (with receipt), or save by purchasing a family day pass for $29.00.

Garden enthusiasts should mark May 24 and 25 on their calendar to be sure not to miss the Village's Heirloom Plants and Gardens Weekend.

Upper Canada Village is open daily from May 17 to October 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Village is located one hour southeast of Ottawa, 11 km east of Morrisburg and 24 km west of Cornwall on Highway No. 2, Exit 758 off Highway No. 401.

For additional information or to obtain a schedule of events for the 1997 season, please call 1-800-437-2233.

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COMING EVENTS

Do you want to meet new people and form a lasting friendship?
If so,
Dundas County Community Living Inc.
is having a
VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SESSION
on May 14, 1997
from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
at 1 Allison Avenue, Morrisburg
(Across from HoJo's)
For more information contact Brenda Laviolette at (613) 543-3737
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Prescott Rotary
BREAKFAST!!
Saturday, May 17th
at the Clock Tower
Pancakes, Eggs, Coffee, Bacon, Toast and Sausages
Serving from 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Adults $4; children under 12 $2.50
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All the world on stage

A jubilant Dreamaker Productions acting troupe takes to the stage for a victory pose, Saturday, May 10th. It was their final performance of a condensed version of the Taming of the Shrew and All the World's a Stage, a retrospective of Shakespeare's life and work.

Upper Canada Playhouse hosted Dreamaker Productions last week

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A great deal of wit, energy and fun was on display at the Upper Canada Playhouse Saturday night as Cornwall's Dreamaker Productions took to the stage for its last performance of *the Taming of the Shrew* and *All the World's A Stage.*

"We've been working on this since January," said Kelly-Anne Long, a teacher at Cornwall Collegiate Vocational School and a co-director of the production.

She and co-director Erin Durham herded about 30 youth through the trials of putting on a stage production and were pleased over all with the results. Their group is devoted principally to youth theatre, although adults are welcome to join in the fun says Long.

"We try to give as many people a chance to get on stage as we can. A lot of these youth don't have the opportunity to do something like this in school programs," she says. She adds that her background as an English, French and sometimes drama teacher drew her to the group.

And fun the students seemed to have, performing an abbreviated version of *Shrew* and the highly educational *All the World*, which is something of a medley of famous Shakespearean speeches and scenes as well as being a biography of the bard himself.

The high point of the evening however had to be a hilarious rendition of a Rowan Atkinson (Mr. Bean, Black Adder, Four Weddings and A Funeral) sketch, in which one of the students demonstrated the various plot elements of Elizabethan tragedy. Those who are fans of slapstick should not have missed this, and may console themselves by renting a Mr. Bean video.

Next on the slate for the young troupe is a production of the musical Annie. Auditions are set to begin soon with the actual performances to take place probably in late August.

For more information about Dreamaker Productions, or if you would like to join in the theatrics call Long at 937-4012 or Dave Runions at 932-4510.

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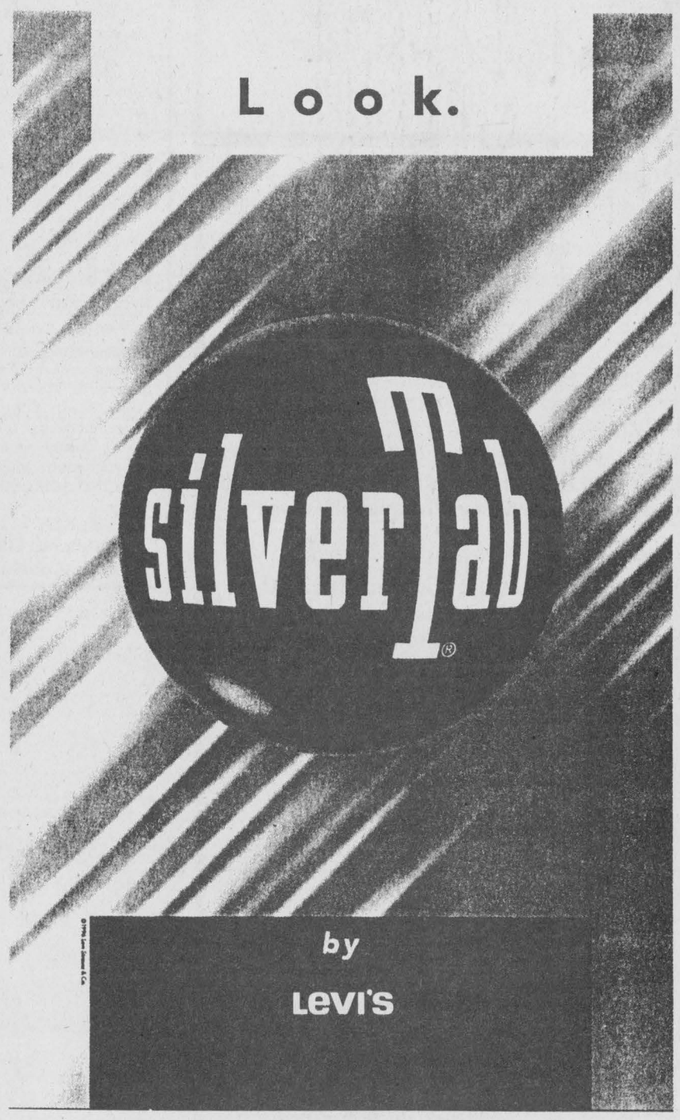

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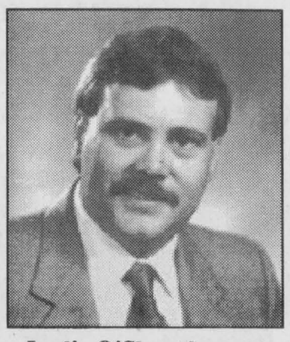
Learning the runway ropes

Drew Mattice and Kristina Swank helped the Scouts as they modeled at the fashion show last Thursday evening. Proceeds from this event will help the Scouts attend CJ'97 in July. Fashions from "Please Mum Trading Co." were a hit with those who came out. "Balance Fashions Inc."Ladies and Men's wear were also shown and "Aloette Cosmetics" were featured. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Candidates fire opinions on C-68



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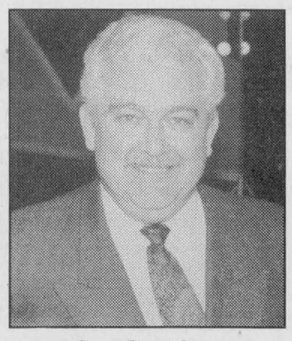

Syd Gardiner NDP



Charles Dillabough Reform

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Three of the five registered federal candidates for Stormont Dundas say they think the Liberals' gun control bill is a crock. Bob Kilger of course isn't one of them.

"I think it's a crock," said NDP candidate Syd Gardiner uncannily echoing the exact words of a Chieftain reader who called in to talk about gun control. Unlike our reader Gardiner doesn't own any guns any more.

"I'll give my gun away before I register it," the reader said. "I'll park it next to the mail box with a note saying free gun. If you ask me if it weren't for guns we'd be living under Nazi rule," the caller asserted.

The idea of freedom to bear arms as a guarantee of civil liberties in general is one that runs thick in the gun control debate. While issues of privacy were raised by most of the candidates, none of them were as vehement as our caller.

Gardiner sees the debate as a smoke screen and says the bill hurts responsible gun owners.

"I think a lot of the B.S. about gun control is to take the focus off real problems like jobs. It's a tax grab," he says.

A review of the cost effectiveness of gun control legislation suggested by the Auditor General is one of the reasons Reform candidate Charles Dillabough is against C-68.

"They ignored the advice of the Auditor General and so they didn't know if the old legislation was cost effective when they pased bill C-68."

The second reason he gives for opposing C-68 is a clause that allows any fire arm part or accessory to be banned by an order in council. Such a ban wouldn't have to be debated in parliament he says.

"How many criminals do we know who will register their guns?" asked Progressive Conservative Candidate Leslie O'Shaughnessy. He questioned the practicality of the bill and how one would enforce the provisions in the bill outlining how guns should be stored.

Kilger defends the bill. He says that it was an important piece of legislation that would help law enforcement agencies in volatile situations such as domestic disputes.

"I understand people have been concerned about what the government or any government might do through order of council, but obviously the matter of the usage of guns for legal purposes will be dealt with largely in Parliament.

"If you think that somebody can do something by order in council and avoid close scrutiny of parliament I think that's very inaccurate. Ultimately if it's required it comes to the attention of the parliamentarians and will be dealt with.

"I recognize it doesn't please everyone, but by the same token it also meets the test of a vast majority of Canadians who have wanted something of this nature for some time," says Kilger.

Only one reader called to offer an opinion.

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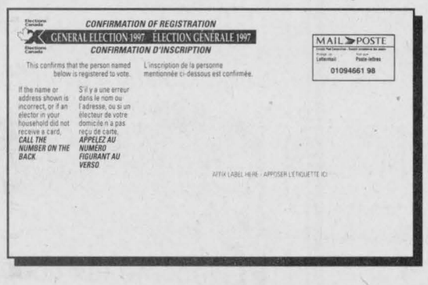
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Congratulations Dean

The village honored Dean McCurdy's 25 years of loyal service as a Water Treatment Plant Operator for Iroquois, Friday, May 9th. Along with an engraved watch, McCurdy got a beautiful cake being shown off above by Councillor Audrey Rooney and tasted by McCurdy's grandson Cole.

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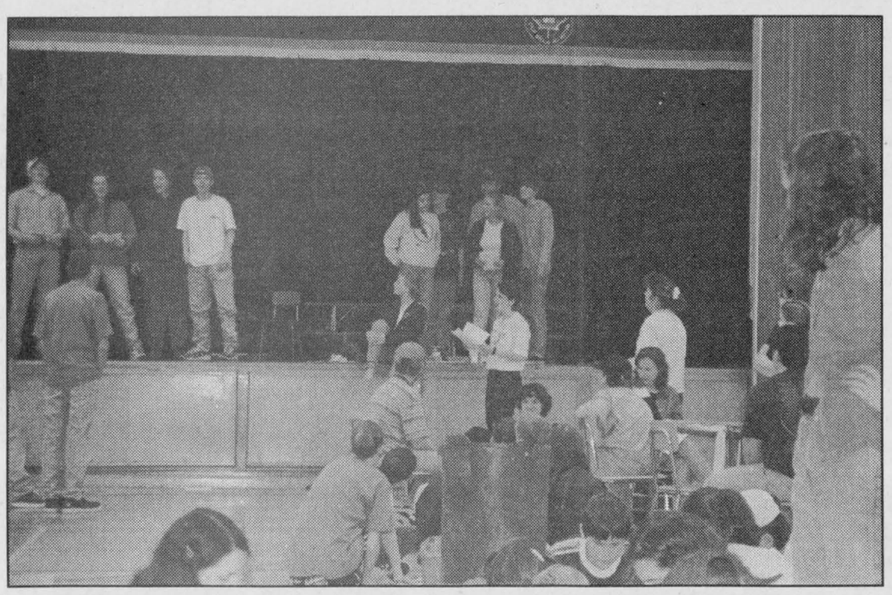

Math games

The Seaway District High School Math Department held their annual math fair last Friday morning. OAC students looked after a number of booths that students had to solve problems at. Grade nine students are introduced to math through this program, showing them that math can be fun and is always practical.

Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.

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Each week, Crime Stoppers spotlights a crime that has been committed in the area. Crime Stoppers would like to remind you that we need information on all crimes - not just the crime of the week.

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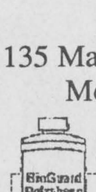

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NEWSBRIEFS

WILLIAMSBURG

Appreciation night

The Heart and Stroke Foundation raised more than $41,300! An appreciation night for volunteers will be held May 20th, at the Park Lane Senior's Support Centre in Williamsburg at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. The guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Andrew Pipe of the Ottawa Heart Institute. If you would like information on the foundation, or would like to make a donation, please call Bob McGimpsey at (613) 652-2434.

PRESCOTT

Soap box derby

The Kiwanis of Prescott will be hosting a Soap Box Derby on the 19th of May. Everyone is invited to attend and enter a soap box racer. Registration for the event takes place at 9 am and the races begin at 10 am. Take Highway 2 to George Street in Prescott to find the derby.

ONTARIO

Watch for flashing lights!

The Ontario Provincial Police is introducing a new emergency light system for its cruisers for enhanced visibility and safety. The familiar roof bar which has been in use since the early 1970's is being replaced by an aerodynamic array of flashing lights shaped in a forward facing V-pattern.

CARDINAL

Check it out!

The Cardinal Home and Trade Show takes place at the Cardinal Community Centre this Thursday (May 22nd) and Friday (May 23rd). There will be door prizes and all kinds of great businesses will be on hand to show you their wares. This is one show you will not want to miss!!!

WILLIAMSBURG

Dinner theatre

Marshall Button will be performing at the Williamsburg United Church this Saturday. The church will be hosting a special dinner theatre evening and you must have an advanced ticket if you wish to go. There isn't much time left, so call 535-2511, 535-2440 or 448-2442.

MORRISBURG

Mall paint job "Ok'd"

Canopy repairs and a new paint job have been given the go-ahead by Morrisburg council. The BIA had requested the work be done earlier this year. Council also gave approval to a new garbage bin to be located behind The Beer Store.

MORRISBURG

LSD to get fixed

Lakeshore Drive (LSD) in Morrisburg will get some much needed repairs done this year. Last Monday, Counties council agreed to fix the road that runs through the village of Morrisburg. The County owned road has been in dire need of resurfacing for years.

MORRISBURG

Where will you go?

Morrisburg council would not commit to a $1,500 renovation to upgrade the Tourist Information Booth washrooms for year-round public use. "Very honestly, I can't see the need," said Reeve Gord McGregor. However, council did give the BIA permission to do it themselves if they want to pay for it.



On annual visit to town

Ottawa Bishop John A. Baycroft graciously performed numerous duties as he visited the Seaway Parish of the Anglican Church in Iroquois. The three point parish joined together at St. John's in the Village to celebrate confirmation, receive communion recipients and reaffirmation of baptismal vows. Always a special occasion when the Bishop visits, an evening service midweek was filled with spiritual growth for all who attended. Names of the folks in the picture are in the story that follows.

Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

Bishop Baycroft visited Iroquois

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

On Wednesday last, the Anglican Parish of Iroquois-Morrisburg-Riverside Heights welcomed the right Reverend John A. Baycroft, Bishop of Ottawa for his annual visit.

Celebrating the Rites of Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows with a Holy Eucharist, people from all three congregations gathered to share in this memorable occasion.

Readings were heard from Scott and Laura Barkley during the service. A joint choir made up of members from St. James in Morrisburg and St. John's in Iroquois. Roger Johnston handled the keyboards of the organ and Sandra Lee Johnston and Ann Barkley administered the Holy Communion assisting Reverend Bill Byers.

Those Confirmed by the Bishop were; Scott Emmerson and Laura Ann Barkley, Kristen Brown, Lance Thomas Cassell, Candace Alena and George Hans Dieter Menges, Geraldine Miller, Emily Elizabeth Margaret Goss, Hugh Jonathan Lachlan Porter and Nancy Kristina Carol Swank.

A number of people were received into the Anglican Communion. Among these were: Beverly Jean Aneja; Candy Ann Duvall; Gordon Thomas and Robin Elaine Lane; Bailey Michelle, Mark Sheldon, Nicolas Mark and Toby Melanie Lewis, Alexandra Brittany Roach and Frances Jean VanAllen.

Reaffirming their Baptismal Vows on this occasion were; Marilyn Ann Byers, Gary Arthur Cracknell and Maureen Annette Lacey.

Family and friends gathered to share this time with their loved ones and the bishop reminded each attending what their commitment to their Lord is about.

After the service, everyone shared in a time of fellowship and refreshments and sweets, courtesy of the ACW.

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